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Celebrating through the weather
A participant in the Crazy River Raft Race takes aim at spectators with her water gun at the Minden Canada Day festivities on a soggy Tuesday. There were seven rafts in this year's raft race. More on page 3. **Darren Lum** Staff

Redpath booted from personnel committee

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Councillor Ken Redpath has been booted from the Minden Hills personnel committee.

Redpath, who's been chairman of the committee since Councillor Larry Clarke left the three-member body last February, was removed from its membership in a motion brought to the table by Councillor Brigitte Gall during a June 26 council meeting.

Gall said she's been frustrated with the lack of information coming to council from the committee, which has consisted of just Redpath and Reeve Barb Reid since last year.

Her motion came just a day after former chief administrative officer Nancy Wright-Laking abruptly left the township.

Wright-Laking submitted her resignation on June 20, saying she was going to stay on until the end of July.

Council members confirmed Wright-Laking had left permanently June 25 and Gall pointed to the departure of the CAO, the still-vacant community services director position and "the information that has not come to council appropriately" as reasons the committee needed to change.

Gall tabled a motion that council, and not the reeve, as the committee's terms of reference had indicated, be responsible for appointing members to the committee.

"There's been no attempt by this committee to hold anything back from council," Redpath said.

"The information that council gets is too little, too late," said Deputy-reeve Cheryl

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Clarke drops off the ballot

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Minden Hills Councillor-at-large Larry Clarke is no longer running for reeve of the township, or any position on council.

Clarke dropped out of the municipal election on June 30, officially withdrawing his candidacy.

He had filed papers to run against candidates Brent Devolin and incumbent Reeve Barb Reid, whose Vision 2010 Team he was part of in the last election, on May 30.

"The bottom line is that I'm pretty much out of step with the rest of the group," Clarke said, explaining his decision to pull out stemmed from the sudden departure of the township's former chief administrative officer last week.

Nancy Wright-Laking submitted her resignation June 20 and had indicated she would stay on with the township until July 25.

However, she left the township abruptly last Wednesday, June 25.

"Really, she was pushed out the door," Clarke said. "It came back to values and principles. I was not included. People are not looking out for the long-term, best interest of the township."

While there are races for the reeve and deputy-reeve positions, so far other councillors are looking at acclamations of their

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Murdoch new chairwoman

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Murdoch. "We need to get the personnel committee back to what it should be."

Reeve Barb Reid said the terms of reference for the personnel committee were the same as they'd been under the last council.

Clarke said this wasn't true.

"I rewrote this based on the advice of Mr. Rogers," Clarke said, in reference to John Rogers, an acquaintance of Reid's who's worked in various capacities for the township, including as interim CAO.

Reid pointed out that the reeve is an ex-officio member of all township committees.

A resolution was passed that council would now be responsible for appointing members to the personnel committee and new committee consisting of Reid, Gall and Murdoch was instituted.

Murdoch will serve as chairwoman.

Councillors also passed a resolution that all members of council be involved in the recruitment of a new CAO.

Redpath told the paper that he was "delighted" to no longer chair the committee.

"It was something I was asked to do, it's a thankless task, really," he said.



Roads across county destroyed by downpour

Calico Road, near Haliburton Village off County Road 21, was washed out by severe rains on the morning of July 1. A number of roads throughout the county were affected by washouts. According to one county resident's backyard gauge, 85 millimetres of rain fell on June 30.

Blanchard to be named CAO

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Minden Hills treasurer Lorrie Blanchard will be the township's new top bureaucrat.

Reeve Barb Reid confirmed to the *Times* on Friday that Blanchard will be named chief administrative officer/clerk/treasurer for the township in a special meeting of council on July 3.

That confirmation came just two days after the departure of CAO/clerk/economic development officer Nancy Wright-Laking, who was set to resign July 25, but left abruptly one month early last Wednesday.

"Council and staff sincerely thank Nancy for her dedication and hard work during her time with Minden Hills," Reid wrote in an email.

Wright-Laking was hired through a headhunting firm in April of 2012 as clerk/economic development officer and eventual replacement for then-CAO Gerry Morrison, who was terminated that summer, five months before his scheduled retirement.

The confirmation also came a day after members of council voted to remove Councillor Ken Redpath from the township's personnel committee (the new committee consists of Reid, Councillor Brigitte Gall and Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch as chairwoman) and passed a resolution that all members of council would be involved in the recruitment of a new CAO.

"I'm very excited about the new position," Blanchard told the paper. "I feel it's a natural progression in my career."

With the township since 2008, Blanchard was previously the manager of finance for Haliburton Highlands Health Services. Before that, she spent 12 years with the treasury department in Dysart.

Balancing work and school, she spent eight years working on her Honours Bachelor of Commerce degree and Certified General Accountant designation, graduating in 2013.

"I hope I represent familiarity and consistency, having worked with council and staff for six years and having been raised in Haliburton County," Blanchard said. "I have a pretty good working knowledge of the township . . . treasury seems to touch on all aspects in one form or another. I'm also grateful that council has included treasurer in the position, as I never tire of crunching numbers."

On the to-do list for 2014 is the orchestration of the October municipal election, the hiring of a new community services director, as well departmental work plans that were approved as part of the 2014 budget.

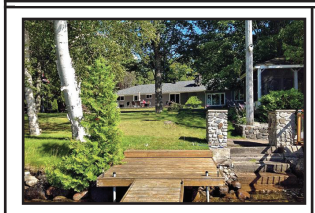
"Council and staff are extremely hardworking and dedicated," Blanchard said. "They know how to do their jobs, so that's going to make my job a lot easier."

The Highland Yard in the heart of the Highlands

Mark your calendars now to run the Highland Yard, Sunday, Aug. 3, in Minden. The Highland Yard, a tradition for more than 40 years in the Highlands is being offered by Places for People, a local charity that creates affordable rental housing in Haliburton County. All proceeds will go towards paying down the mortgages so we can offer rent affordable to local working families.

Start your training and register to run either the 10km or 5 km or 2 km (walk/run) timed race, starting at 10am. All races start and finish at the CIBC in Minden. Prizes will be awarded for winning times. For more details on route, registration, and information updates check at www.highlandyard.ca. You can register directly on line at www.runningroom.com or on site the morning of the race (Registration closes at 9:30) or the evening before, from 5 to 8 pm at the Village Green in Minden. Pledge sheets will be available on line at www.highlandyard.ca

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Above: Eleven-year-old Rylee Campbell was unfazed by the weather during Canada Day in Minden this past Tuesday.

Below: a crazy river raft race participant waves to the crowd, pedalling down the Gull River.

Minden Hills's Canada Day event this past Tuesday started and ended with a bang. From the thunder of the morning to the crack of firecrackers in the evening, a heavy downpour in the morning threatened the event except for the diehard volunteers (individuals and Minden Hills Fire Department), service groups (Rotary Club of Minden and Minden and District Lions Club) and organizers who waited out the rain until the sun came to bring hundreds of people. The event started with the children's fishing derby.

Once the inclement weather came, ending the derby a little early, it did not stop Kevin Fairey and volunteers from rewarding all the competitors with close to 200 prizes. Fairey thanks the sponsors for the prizes.

Photos by Darren Lum



Although the inclement weather didn't scare off a few people, the large crowd came out once the sun came out.





Above: the crowds were six deep at places along the Gull River to watch the crazy river raft race.

Right: there was free cake for hundreds.





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Left: Minden Hills councillor Jean Neville, left, and Betty Mark didn't let the rain dampen their spirit for Canada Day at the start of the Minden Canada Day this past Tuesday.

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Traditional crosswalks planned for downtown Minden

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Traditional "white ladder" or "zebra" crosswalks will be painted in downtown Minden after sealant-based crosswalks applied last month failed.

Roads director Kevin Hill made that recommendation to council at a June 26 meeting.

"Basically, I'm recommending that we go with a painted sidewalk," Hill said.

On June 9, the township had terra cotta-coloured crosswalks painted in Minden's downtown, two at the intersection of Bobcaygeon Road and Water Street and one at the Bobcaygeon Road and Newcastle Street intersection, near the CIBC.

The crosswalks were painted using a sealant product and began to peel away within days.

"On Thursday June 12, it became evident that the product failed for unknown reasons," Hill wrote in a report to council. "Fowler Construction is now stripping the application from the roadways, leaving the township in the position of needing to redo the crosswalks. It should be noted that there will be no cost to the township for the application or removal of the seal master product by Fowler Construction."

Hill did recommending abandoning the terra cotta colour for safety reasons.

"The colour doesn't stand out at all in the twilight hours," he said.

Using the terra cotta colour had been a recommendation of the township's village development master plan, to achieve aesthetic consistency with the coloured concrete used in the downtown's sidewalks.

Councillor Ken Redpath thought the remains of the terra cotta crosswalk should be cleared away and the roads should be left as they are.

Redpath said because the crosswalks are not legal crosswalks, the township has no real mechanism for control and thus there could be a safety issue.

"There's nothing that says a vehicle has to stop," Redpath said. "They're courtesy crosswalks."

"The one in Haliburton works just fine and it's a courtesy crosswalk," countered Jean Neville.

"I really like the recommendation in the village development plan," said Reeve Barb Reid. "I'm not looking forward to seeing our downtown look like the Abbey Road album cover, but it's that council's recommendation . . ."

The majority of council preferred the traditional white crosswalks, with accompanying signage.

The crosswalks will cost $350 each.

Councillors also awarded the contract for the reconstruction of Bobcaygeon Road and sidewalks from the downtown core to Highway 35 to Royel Paving for approximately $716,000, including HST.



Chad Ingram Staff

Painted crosswalks installed in downtown Minden earlier this month have quickly peeled away.

Council will consider sale of Gelert Hall

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Minden Hills will considering selling the Gelert Hall after Councillor Jean Neville suggested the idea during a June 26 council meeting.

Councillors had recommended proceeding with requests for tenders for the demolition and removal of the aging building during their June 12 committee-of-the-whole meeting.

The building, a former schoolhouse, has been closed to the public for more than two years due to issues with mould and a large amount of bat guano.

Previously, council had been discussing applying for a grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation to help with renovations to the building.

Including foundation repair, new windows, furnace, septic bed and tank, well, drywall installation and the remediation of the mould and bat guano, the work had an estimated cost of more than $187,000.

"Is there a possibility that property and the buildings on that property could be sold, as is?" asked Neville, whose Ward 3, the former Snowdon township, includes Gelert.

Neville pointed out the building, which for a period also served as the office building for Snowdon township, had been purchased by residents of Gelert before it came under the auspices of the amalgamated Township of Minden Hills.

Councillors voted for Neville's recommendation to be directed to staff for investigation.

The Gelert hall, like the community halls in Lochlin and Irondale, has been maintained largely by volunteers and their fundraising efforts.



Highlands Summer Festival
Kathryn Boyd plays the eccentric Miss Havisham during a dress rehearsal for the Highlands Summer Festival's *Great Expectations*. The Charles Dickens classic novel is a coming of age story centred on the orphan Pip in England during the 1800s. This play is on nightly until Friday. It continues from Wednesday, July 9 until July 11. For tickets and questions call 705-457-9933 or 1-866-457-9933.
Darren Lum Staff





Canoe-themed art raising money for Canoe FM

Local wildlife and landscape painter David Alexander Risk stands with his painting *A Canoeist's Paradise* worth $10,000, which is part of a collection of auction packages for the Canoe FM 100.9 sixth annual Radiothon, available for public viewing last Thursday at Sassy Digs in Minden.

Risk also donated two hand painted maple paddles with eight "plein air, in the field sketches" part of The Paddlers' Package, which includes a guided trip for two Path of the Paddle, Canoe Adventure Trip from Yours Outdoors worth $1,700.

The radiothon is from July 4 to 5. See Risk's donated painting at the Haliburton Forest Store in Haliburton on Highland Street from 3 to 6 p.m. on July 2. Also, see other packages and his painting online at madeinhaliburton.ca. See www.canoefm.com for more details.

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'I'm going to step back from it for a while'

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seats, with no competitors having come forward.

Clarke said there are procedures and best practices that needed to be followed.

"There's a need for process . . . it's taxpayers' dollars," he said.

"It was unfortunate that Nancy left the day before council, where I assumed we would have a conversation regarding her resignation and about how we move forward, etcetera," Councillor Lisa Schell told the paper. "Because of her early departure, there was no opportunity for council to have an exit interview."

Clarke was asked if some people might not suggest that he'd been part of forcing former Minden Hills employees out the door.

"That wouldn't be fair at all," Clarke said. "I've got values and principles that are important to me. I've always treated people fairly and I've always treated people with respect."

More than two years ago, there was an incident between Clarke, who had been chair of the personnel committee, and former CAO Gerry Morrison, when Clarke blocked Morrison from entering his office after a sick leave because he did not have the proper paperwork.

Morrison returned to work the next day.

He was eventually dismissed in the summer of 2012.

Clarke confirmed he will not be seeking re-election in Minden Hills, nor will he run for office in Dysart et al, where he also owns property.

"I'm going to step back from it for a while," he said, adding it was unclear if he might run again in the future.

Clarke was asked if he regretted running as a member of the Vision 2010 Team, a slate of candidates that included himself and Reid along with councillors Ken Redpath and Brigitte Gall.

"The whole idea of the Vision Team was just to run together," Clarke said, adding that as a newbie he needed that kind of support. "I wouldn't have known where to start. Things evolved differently than I would have envisioned."

Clarke was asked which reeve candidate he'll put his support behind now that he's not running.

He laughed.

"Maybe someone else will put their name forward," he said. "I'm going to wait and see what people say."

Candidates can file until 2 p.m. on Sept. 12 for the Oct. 27 election.

> **It was unfortunate that Nancy [Wright-Laking] left the day before council, where I assumed we would have a conversation regarding her resignation and about how we move forward, etcetera.**
>
> *— Councillor Lisa Schell*



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Sea change

WHAT TRANSPIRED in Minden Hills council chambers last week was a scene that would have been unfathomable three years ago.

At that time, the Vision 2010 Team dominated Minden Hills council with an often arrogant and uncompromising attitude as its members forced through misguided policies, such as the one making council members part of performance evaluations for department heads.

As we have seen, that worked out really well. Cough.

The remaining three members of council – among them its most senior veteran, the township's deputy-reeve – were ignored and, on occasion, flatly shut down by the reeve.



Chad Ingram
Reporter

Contrast that to last week, when Councillor Brigitte Gall, a former member of said Vision Team, tabled a motion to alter the makeup of the township's personnel committee.

That motion removed Councillor Ken Redpath – another former Visionite – from the committee and installed Gall and Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch, who will chair, as members, along with Reeve Barb Reid.

Reid was quick to point out that the reeve is an ex-officio member of all township committees.

Were it not for this stipulation, it seemed entirely possible that she would have been joining Redpath.

Since February of last year, the personnel committee has consisted of just Redpath and Reid.

Councillor Larry Clarke, the fourth member of the Vision Team, had been chairman of that committee until the sudden dismissal of the former deputy-clerk last February.

The day of that dismissal, there was disagreement between Clarke and Reid about who was chair of the committee.

While Reid told the paper Clarke was still chairman, Clarke insisted he was not.

But what happened last week was more than just the rejigging of a committee in an area where the township has seen boondoggle after boondoggle.

What happened last week was a statement. It was a final, defiant smashing of the regime that controlled Minden Hills township for the first half of this council term, a regime in which Gall was a willing participant.

Remember how things worked back then?

Three neophyte councillors, naively, blindly, sometimes without so much as a word, following the cues of their leader.

Citizens were removed as the heads of advisory committees, replaced by members of council.

Several longtime committee members were shown the door,

Un-tendered headhunting contracts, which have failed miserably, in violation of the township's purchasing policy.

A nearly constant parade of staff out the door.

People's lives turned upside down.

Families uprooted.

And for what? What does council have to show for all this?

It's politically intelligent for Gall to distance herself from her Vision Team past as much as possible and she seems cognizant of such.

The same would have gone for Clarke, who was challenging Reid for the reeve's seat, but has dropped his name from the ballot.

Clarke too has quit drinking the Kool-Aid.

When Reid tried to say last week that the terms of reference for the personnel committee were the same as they had been under the previous council, Clarke was quick to correct her, saying he'd rewritten them at the advice of John Rogers.

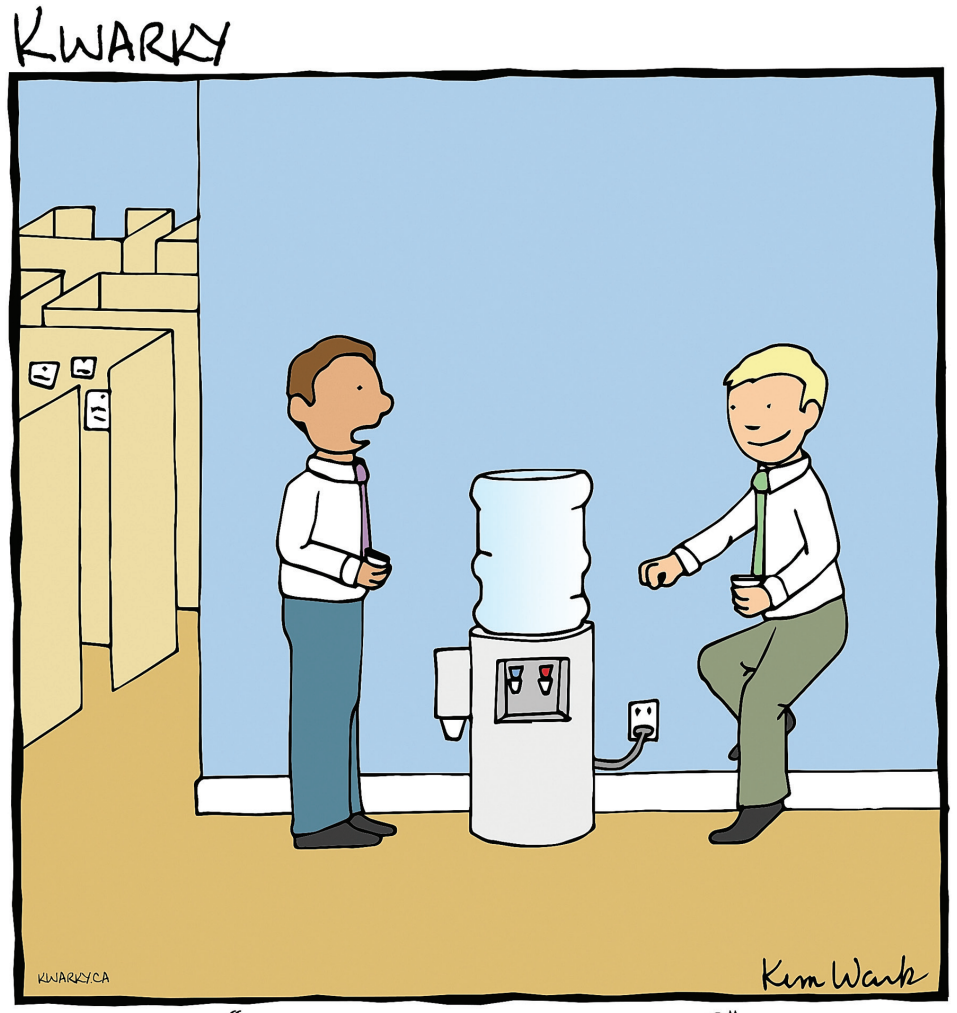
Readers will remember Rogers as the acquaintance of the reeve who has worked for the township in a variety of un-tendered positions at a rate of $565 a day, plus HST.

His rate of pay was only made public after a successful Freedom of Information challenge by this newspaper.

What happened last Thursday was a significant, tangible shift in the power dynamic in Minden Hills township.

On the reeve's re-election website, one section reads: "Minden Hills council is not dominated by the reeve!"

And, now at least, this is certainly true.



"LONG RIDE ON THE WEEKEND?"

OPP investigating prank calls

The Criminal Investigations Unit of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Haliburton Highlands Detachment is currently investigating several incidents that have been reported to the police. Between Aug. 3, 2013 and May 16, 2014 OPP have responded to six separate 911 calls where an unknown male has contacted police regarding bomb threats or weapons calls throughout various locations in Haliburton County. To date, all calls have been unfounded and have utilized significant police resources in their response and investigations.

The OPP is requesting the public's assistance and asking that anyone with information pertaining to any of these incidents, contact the Haliburton Highlands OPP. Should you wish to remain anonymous, you may contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or visit their website www.khcs.ca to report information. You may be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to $2,000.

Submitted by the OPP

Numerous impaired charges

Officers from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police have been busy ensuring our area highways are safe in their ongoing efforts against drinking and driving. Police would also like to thank the number of citizens that provided assistance in contacting 911 regarding some of these incidents.

On June 27, at 4:40 p.m. witnesses observed a school bus travelling on County Road 21, in the Municipality of Dysart et al. Officers located and stopped the bus which did not have any passengers. The driver, a 63-year-old from Dysart, was charged with impaired driving and driving with over 80 milligrams of alcohol. The accused is scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice in Minden on Aug. 6.

On June 28, at 4:30 p.m. OPP were conducting a RIDE check on Kennisis Lake Road in the Municipality of Dysart et al. Police stopped a 2011 GMC pickup at the check area and administered a roadside test to the driver. As a result,a 35-year-old woman from Eagle Lake was charged with driving with over 80 milligrams of alcohol in her blood. The accused is scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice in Minden on Aug. 6.

On June 28 at 11:59 p.m. OPP were dispatched to a motor vehicle collision on West Road in the Township of Algonquin Highlands. The lone male driver of the 2003 Pontiac Sunfire vehicle had driven off the road into the ditch. With the assistance of residents in the area the driver remained until police were on scene. The man was transported to the detachment for breath tests. A 63-year-old man from Minden Hills was charged with impaired driving and driving with over 80 milligrams of alcohol in his blood. The accused is scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice in Minden on Aug. 6.

On June 29 at 11:37 p.m. OPP were conducting a RIDE check on Fortesque Lake Road in the Municipality of Highlands East. Police stopped a 2000 GMC pickup at the check area. The driver failed the roadside test and was arrested. As a result, a 50-year-old man from Gooderham was charged with driving with over 80 milligrams of alcohol in his blood. The accused is scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice in Minden on Aug. 6.

Submitted by the OPP

points of view

The most dangerous foods

AS ANYONE WHO SURFS online knows, the Internet can provide a wealth of useful information.

Today, for instance, I discovered that two of the most dangerous foods in the kitchen are avocados and bagels.

This, my friends, is good to know.

Apparently, both present serious risks to people not adept at using cutlery or the thought process.

In the avocado's case, people often slip with knives while prying out the pit.

Similarly, when slicing bagels in two some people tend to place them on edge and stick a finger through the hole to steady it for the slice.

Let's be honest here; this is something only a doofus would do.

Needless to say, there are a lot of doofuses (doofi?) in the world.

The percentage is particularly high, I suspect, among those who make a living practising petty crime. That's why, from here on in, I'm considering arming myself with an avocado, bagel or even both whenever I visit a place where there is risk of being mugged. The way I see it, this might prevent me from becoming a victim.



Steve Galea
Beyond 35

I envision taking a wrong turn and finding myself lost, after dark, in a bad part of town. Suddenly, I'm confronted by a knife-wielding thug.

"Give me your wallet and no one gets hurt," he might say, as he brandishes a glistening blade.

"Uh, sure," I mutter. "Perhaps you want this bagel too? It will go great with this ripe avocado. Mmmmm ... You might as well take it all."

Minutes later, I walk off whistling a happy tune while the perp is sitting there in the middle of a horrendous bloodbath placing multiple Band-aids on his finger and hand.

You never know.

Having said that, I suspect it's probably a good idea to have another plan in place too. That's why I'd also wear really good running shoes and carry a specially designed backpack that can instantly jettison 4,000 marbles behind me as I begin my sprint towards safety.

(Thank you, writers of *Home Alone*.)

This seems like a good plan. At one point, however, I considered carrying a nervous live skunk, but, after giving it some serious thought, I discarded this idea – for one thing, it would eat the avocado and bagel, which would leave me completely defenceless.

This illustrates an important point. When thinking these scenarios through, you have to be practical.

Getting back to my original point: the Internet has enriched my life and now yours too.

Because of it, I know what to order when I am in a shady deli in a seedy part of any major urban area.

("I'll have a bagel with cream cheese and lox and a medium regular coffee. Oh, and a bagel and avocado to go, please...")

I won't take this newfound knowledge lightly however. For, as we all know, with great power comes great responsibility.

With that in mind, I've decided. If someone is threatening to cause me bodily harm, I will shout out a direct and clear warning: "I think you should know I'm carrying two bagels and an avocado and I'm not afraid to use them ... well, maybe in the kitchen if I'm distracted or tired. Hey, by any chance would you describe yourself to be a doofus?"

And then, while the perp is considering the question, I'll turn tail and jettison 4,000 marbles....

Just watch your step

DOWN BY THE RIVERSIDE on a perfect June evening, my wife, The Brown Dog Jiggs and I interrupt our evening stroll to contemplate the creche floating down the River Gull.

Yes, I know Gull is supposed to come before River, but I like it better my way. And you will be pleased to know that the creche is not a tableaux of a Nativity scene somebody just set adrift.

For this creche is a gang of Canadian geese, four grownups and 15 to 17 goslings – I get a different number each time I count. Call this gaggle a blended family, moms and pops babysitting, keeping an eye out for danger.

We have to keep an eye out too, for between sweepings Riverwalk has become a bit of an obstacle course. You have to watch where you walk if you don't want to step on goose poop.

Upstream there are a couple of what look like nuclear families, mother and dad escorting two or three babies, but blended families are common enough. In other settings, so they say, there might be as many as a hundred goslings in a creche.

Once we are at a safe distance, across the river, this Minden creche comes ashore to graze. The green verge between Water Street and the river is speckled with goslings.

We have been watching them grow up; they begin to look like geese instead of balls of fluff. Moms and Dads keep watch, looking as imperturbable as toy soldiers, but they are not to be trifled with; human arms have been broken by goose wings.

For the moment, the wings aren't much good for flying, for the grownups moult and are grounded from the time their eggs hatch. Families stay together until after next spring's migration.



Neil Campbell
Back of Beyond

In the first Breeding Bird Atlas of Ontario, published in 1987, Haliburton is a blank spot on the nesting map for the Canadas. Mostly, they stopped in southern Ontario or kept going until they got to the swampy James Bay lowlands.

Water near grassland is their favourite habitat, greenery their favourite food, so it wasn't until golf courses and waterfront parks came along that more of them began to set up housekeeping here.

Now their excrement splotches the greensward. Some of you are indignant about that, but not me nor The Brown Dog, for that matter.

Perhaps we'd feel different if we had a riverside lawn to tend, or a golf course. We don't have either, so I just wear shoes and scrape the soles when I get home.

Not being able to go barefoot in the grass seems like a small price to pay for goose-viewing. No need to make our world as spotless as Etobicoke.

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Three other things I've been meaning to ask or tell you:

Are the mosquito hordes that have besieged us just more canaries in the ecological coal mine?

A few weeks ago, a man who makes his living outdoors noted an absence of bats in his territory and other folks at a woodlot meeting near Kinmount chimed in in agreement.

And I thought about how I used to go outside at dusk and see the air overhead filled with bats and insect-eating birds making a cafeteria of the evening sky.

I can't remember the last time I saw that. Something called white-nose disease is said to be devastating the bat population. Mosquitoes are thriving.

Could it be a coincidence?

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Red oaks may be common enough in Haliburton County, but not here on Sapsucker Ridge, though oaks dominate a ridge that rims Bob Lake, half a mile away.

But there is nary an oak on Sapsucker Ridge until something, probably a blue jay, drops an acorn or two in a grassy opening beside the laneway.

Oaks need room to grow and minimal competition. The jay's clump is a dozen feet tall now and Sapsucker Ridge is no longer oakless.

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Tradition counts, and nowhere more than at Music By The Gull, which opened its season on Friday with a concert by the organizers, the Highlands Wind Symphony.

It is a peaceful, moving evening, just as it was a year ago. The merchant John Thomas and a dog on a balcony celebrate the occasion with an encore of their 2013 performances.

In case you've never plunked down a lawn chair or perched on a curb to watch Music By the Gull, the Symphony sets up on Water Street with Bobcaygeon Road as its backdrop.

Last year we listened to the music and watched Thomas stop a saunter toward the bridge to listen with us, disappear for a time, then come back with an ice cream cone and stop to listen some more. Almost on cue. Same thing this year.

And when last year's serenade was almost at an end, a dog stepped out on the balcony of the building facing Water Street and howled for more. Same thing this year.

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County's hospitals to expand services

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

In the coming year, Haliburton Highlands Health Services plans to introduce ultrasound services delivered by staff, not a third-party provider, as is now the case.

This service would be available five days a week.

Improved access to ultrasounds was one of the goals HHHS CEO Varouj Eskedjian touched on as he delivered his address during HHHS's 18th annual general meeting at the Minden facility on June 26.

Another is developing interfaces to connect to information systems at Lindsay's Ross Memorial Hospital and create a common network and strategic plan for IT between the facilities.

It's been a year of evolution at HHHS, as the integration process at the Central East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) folds Community Care Haliburton, along with the Victorian Order of Nurses' day programming and SIRCH's hospice program, into the hospital's governance.

"I think someone asked me, 'so when is integration over?'" Eskedjian said. "Integration is a journey, and we're going to continue this journey."

Part of that journey has included forging a closer tie with Ross Memorial Hospital, in what Eskedjian called a "strategic partnership."

The CEO said this partnership is improving the quality of care, access to care and achieving cost savings for HHHS.

The Lindsay hospital has become the pharmacy provider for HHHS, the hospitals are sharing IT resources and the diagnostics manager from the Ross is now managing diagnostic services at HHHS.

For Dr. Greg Karaguesian, one of the biggest improvements of the past year was the introduction of the province's life and limb policy, an Ontario-wide no refusal policy where doctors can access the best facility to transfer patients with serious and life-threatening injuries.

Another helpful advance, he said, has been the use of electronic dictation for admission and release forms.

During the past year, the emergency departments at the Haliburton and Minden hospitals received more than 25,000 visits, with Minden receiving slightly more than its counterpart.

There were more than 10,000 X-ray exams performed, more than 3,200 physiotherapy visits and the mental health department served 450 clients with more than 4,000 sessions.



Chad Ingram Staff

Incoming HHHS board chairman John Kay speaks at the organization's annual general meeting in Minden on June 26.

Ninety-four per cent of HHHS staff got flu vaccinations, far outpacing the 70 per cent target, something Eskedjian was very proud of.

HHHS telemedicine clinical co-ordinator Shelley vanLieshout was recognized by the province for outstanding work in her field.

On the monetary side, the hospitals ran a relatively small deficit of $40,000.

The budget for the year was approximately $22 million.

"To virtually break even on $22 million is a significant achievement," auditor John West of McColl Turner Chartered Accountants told the room.

Turner said there had been increased snow removal and utility costs due to the severe winter.

The bulk of HHHS's funding comes from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, at $18.4 million.

The fees from residents at the long-term care homes contribute more than $2 million and more than $918,000 came from the amortization of deferred contributions – money the community has raised in the past.

Patient services contributed more than $200,000 and "other sources" generated about $590,000.

While HHHS received more money from the province than it did last year, in part due to the implementation of the integration process, there likely aren't any major funding boosts on the horizon.

"The flat-line trend is the new reality," West said.

The largest expense for HHHS is salaries and benefits, which cost approximately $12.8 million.

This is up more than half a million from last year, due largely to pay increases and an increase in sick time.

Supplies accounted for $4.2 million, medical compensation $3.2 million, amortization of property, buildings and equipment more than $1 million and drugs and other medical supplies more than $340,000.

HHHS has approximately $1.34 million in working capital.

The hospital auxiliaries for Minden and Haliburton continued their equipment fundraising work, with the Haliburton auxiliary purchasing $95,000 worth of equipment.

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation raised some $600,000, making some $647,000 worth of investments by using part of the more than $1 million it raised in the previous fiscal year.

The foundation's Making Moments Matter campaign, which is raising money for a second palliative suite at the Haliburton facility, has raised more than $500,000 of its $900,000 goal and board chairman Peter Oyler told Eskedjian he was certain the foundation would meet the target.

The foundation raises funds through a variety of methods included its Cash for Care lottery, an annual Rotary golf tournament, a radiothon, its Christmas campaign (which last year raised a record $107,000), as well as its series of stuffed animals.

This year's plush toys are husky pups Misha and Mischief.

With the integration of Community Care into HHHS, Scotty Morrison will join the foundation board.

All 11 members of the HHHS board were re-elected to their positions and chairman Len Logozar passed the reins to John Kay.

Dave Bonham was appointed vice-chairman and three new members from Community Care board were added, those being Paul Morissette, Annette Richardson and Beverly Upton.

"The key for us to keep governance in the Highlands," Logozar said. "Health care is an amoeba. It's always changing."

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End of Community Care marks new beginning

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

This year's annual general meeting for Community Care Haliburton County marked the end of an era and the beginning of a new chapter for the little service group that could ... and did.

At Hyland Crest in Minden June 26, there were tears for the past and smiles for the future during the proceedings that included thank yous for dedication, effort, and reflection about the initiatives over the 34 years of Community Care.

For the past two years Community Care has been working towards integrating with the Haliburton Highlands Health Services, as part of the province's integration transition plan. The organization's clients will continue to be served, as all services and staff will transfer to the community services division of HHHS. This integration will be finalized on Sept. 30. Moving forward Community Care will have representation on the HHHS board with its board of director members Paul Morissette, Annette Richardson and Beverly Upton.

Community Care president Upton held back tears knowing it was the last annual general meeting. With SIRCH and HHHS representatives, including former executive director Donna MacDonald in the audience, Upton thanked the various people who have helped and ensured success for all the programs offered by Community Care, namely the volunteers.

"Offering oneself in service is a simple act. In acting on behalf of others we access a virtue of selflessness. Many of us feel the call to serve while others know deep inside that they are here to do something, but they cannot quite articulate what that something might be," she said.

Started by Doris McCann and a group of volunteers, this service organization's strength has always rested with its volunteers who have helped Highlands residents

Volunteering, Upton said, is the most fundamental form of citizenship.

"If you haven't any charity in your heart you have the worst kind of heart problem," she said. "I'm pleased to say that no one in this room is suffering from this kind of heart trouble."

Despite a few choked back tears, Upton is optimistic about the future.

"However, we look forward to integration with HHHS and the formation of one new organization. We shall continue to service and support our community and anticipate increasing and enhancing our programs. Thank you all so much for your continued support," she said.

She thanked the board of directors: Upton, Jeanne Anthon, Scotty Morrison, Morissette, Jerry Rome, Richardson, Ray Brassard, Doug Mitchell, Ruth Mitchell, Ian MacLean and Derrell Stamp.

Co-ordinator of volunteer resources Brigitte Gebauer gave thanks to the 140 volunteers who serve more than 1,400 clients and contributed more than 28,000 hours, equaling more than $300,000 if they were paid minimum wage.

"Goodness knows the work our volunteers do is worth way more than that, especially when they provide human connection for people who are often isolated and lonely," she said.

Gebauer named Miskwabi Lake resident Margaret Despard as this year's Volunteer of the Year Award recipient.

"Her dedication and commitment to what she is doing for us shines through with a grace that is entirely fitting the person she is. She cares for our clients and is a genuine pleasure to work with in the office," Gebauer said.

Despard, characterized as a "volunteer angel", has volunteered since 2011 and is integral to the office work, manning the desk and assisting Gebauer.

Community Care's executive director Maureen Ruttig, who was near tears, thanked her staff (Sherry Mulholland, Judy Cummings, Gebauer, Brenda Bain, Janet Wood, Ida Shultz, Norm Giguere and Nancy Brownsberger) and characterized the organization as the "little agency that could."

"Our motto and mission of Community Care Haliburton County is people helping people. I believe this statement is the very cornerstone of our little agency and will continue to be so after integration," she said. "As an agency we try to provide exceptional services to our clients and it shows. Our caring staff and volunteers go above and beyond every day to ensure client service delivery is met and delivered within the Highlands."

Ruttig also thanked the volunteers, emphasizing how essential each of them is to the organization.

"Each one of you is important. Each one of you is a puzzle piece to this puzzle of Community Care. We need you and we want you to come with us into the future as we embark on this new adventure because it's going to be wonderful," she said.



President of Community Care Haliburton County Beverly Upton thanks the volunteers at the last annual general meeting for Community Care Haliburton County June 26 at Hyland Crest in Minden.
Darren Lum



Jane Tousaw, with a gift she received from county council June 25, is looking forward to gardening and grandkids as she retires as Haliburton County's planner.

Haliburton County planner retires

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

After handling the county's planning matters for the past decade, Jane Tousaw is planning how she's going to spend her retirement.

Tousaw attended her final council meeting as planning director for Haliburton County on June 25.

Her municipal career began in the former Lutterworth township in 1987, where she was the roads bookkeeper and tax collector, becoming treasurer and also serving as deputy clerk.

In 1991, she moved to Beckwith Township in Lanark County, where she wore many proverbial hats including deputy-clerk, treasurer and planner/planning administrator.

In 2004, she returned to Haliburton County as its planning director.

Tousaw has seen provincially mandated planning processes grow increasing complex during her career, with the downloading of more responsibilities to upper- and lower-tier levels of municipal government.

"It used to be you could hand in an application on one page," she said.

She counts the county having its first official plan, and the lower tiers having their respective plans approved by the province among highlights, as well as wetland mapping and the county's growth strategy and shoreline tree preservation bylaw, the latter instituted in 2012.

Tousaw is encouraged to see residents keen on proper planning and environmentally responsible practices.

"We've got folks who are very passionate about the values council has put in the official plan," she said.

What will she do with her time?

"I've got some gardens I've been wanting to get into," Tousaw says. "And I'm going to sleep in."

She also has three grand-daughters she's excited to spend time with.

Sounds like a plan.

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Graduates prepared for life of learning

Zach Cox
Staff reporter

"Graduates, it has a nice ring to it, doesn't it?" said Daryl Woodley, valedictorian of the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School class of 2014, at the HHSS commencement on Wednesday, June 25. The air was practically was ringing that night, with cheers and applause from proud friends and family echoing through the gymnasium as they watched the graduates cross the stage.

Principal Dan Marsden and Trillium Lakelands District School Board trustee Gary Brohman each gave some words of wisdom to the graduates, including Brohman's three rules for those attending post secondary education: 1. Go to class, 2. Go to class and 3. Go to class.

In her speech, Woodley encouraged the graduates to look back at their time at the high school and everything they've learned during their time at the institution. "Here at Hal High we've learned infinitely more than just math, science and English," she said. "We have learned how to dream, we have learned how to change and most importantly we learned how to learn."

The students may now be leaving Hal High and heading in a variety of directions, but Woodley is adamant that they're not done learning yet. "It doesn't matter what we choose to do, we will constantly be learning."

She also encouraged her peers to embrace their own potential and to become individuals who will change the world. "Like the Earth being constantly shaped and eroded by water, we will be shaped by our lives," she said, "but the change we can create will last a thousand lifetimes."

Life isn't always easy though, and Woodley reminded the graduates of that. She doesn't feel that it's a reason to despair though. "If you fail, you'll be in good company," she said, listing some of Abraham Lincoln's and John Diefenbaker's notable failures before they became the president and prime minister respectively. "All of these iconic figures tried and failed and tried again and probably failed again."

Woodley thanked her graduating class for their time together and wished them the best, reminding them again that they each have the potential to change the world.

"The future is dark and unknown, but we will light up the path," she said.

Congratulations to the 2014 Haliburton Highlands Secondary School graduates on hoisting your lanterns and taking your first steps along that path.



Zach Cox Staff

Valedictorian Daryl Woodley addresses her fellow graduates with her speech. "We have learned how to dream, we have learned how to change and most importantly we learned how to learn," said Woodley as she encouraged her peers to never stop learning.











HHSS Class of 2014

Counter-clockwise from top left:
Back: Tyler Johnsonn-Perrin, Robbie Hiltz, Jordan Hamilton, Nathan Feir, Connor Dollo, Harley Drain, Liam Duffy, Jack Hogarth, Eric Elliott.
Middle: Andrew Jennings, Joey Hancock, Brayden Frost, Roman Gardiner, Jesse Davis, Spencer Hicks, Cassandra Hobden, Lisa Kim.
Front: Tanisha Gordon, Jillian Hawley, Chris Hall, Charlene Hicks, Luc Grove, Cassidy Havil.

Back: Brandon Petry, Dwayne Meharrie, Cory Proctor, Jamie Pyl, Amber Kirkpatrick,Travis Neville, Preston Roberts, Jennifer Robinson.
Middle: Michael Ranger, Hanna Reddering, Mac Monk-Cray, Chris Raimey, Kirk Lopez, Tom Paul, Allana Paul.
Front: Haley Moore, Savannah MacAusland, Megan MIlburn, Anthany Nesbitt, Bethany Little, Farron Main, Faith Mathers.

Back: Sam Tyler, Spencer Trueman, Cooper Sherlock, Stuart Searle, Felix Scuhr, Jake Ruddell.
Middle: Beth Waugh, Jacob SIsson, Jamie Scheffel, Tristan Rogers, Ryan VanLieshout, Taylor Sands, Daryl Woodley.
Front: Katie Woudstra, Stephanie Walker, Shyanna Smith, Mercedes VanMeer, Taylor Rowbotham, Rishu Shah, Candra Warnica, Maggie Scheffee.

Back: Jake Bursey, Alisha Bishop, Tyler Barry, Mitch Ayres, Cole Burk, Zack Aylsworth, Jay Archer, Nik Barry, Shelly Bennett.
Middle: Cassie Burley, Austin Copeland, Shenese Alden, Jesse Burk, Carson Barnhart, Connor Bird, Bruce Cameron.
Ffront: Kat Conebeare, Natasha Bradley, Taryn Albert, Robyn Albert, Tristan Burke, Joanna Arthur, Brailey Clancy.

Rishu Shah looks proud, diploma in hand.
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Thurs. July 17 – Haliburton Time Travelers at Kawartha Dairy

Wed. July 23 - Family Fun Farm Obstacle Course at Minden Mercantile

Wed. July 30 –Minden Merchant Sidewalk Sale

Thurs. July 31 - Haliburton Time Travelers at Kawartha Dairy

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Thurs. August 17 - Haliburton Time Travelers at Kawartha Dairy

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Art Hive dye-ing to show off workshop

Dye No Mite workshop participant Tomas Cossairn of Lindsay dyes portions of his T-shirt this past Saturday at the Art Hive. This followed the ribbon cutting ceremony with MPP Laurie Scott and an Ontario Trillium Foundation representative. The Art Hive received $13,700 from the foundation for enhancements (accessible bathroom, insulated floor and doors) to classroom space for art workshops. See www.thearthive.com for future workshops. **Darren Lum** Staff



A Dye No Mite workshop participant dyes portions of his T-shirt this past Saturday at the Art Hive. See www.thearthive.com for future workshops.

Ghost Walks return to Haliburton and Minden

Why is there a park in Haliburton named after an Alabama clockmaker? Which is the most haunted house in Minden? How do you escape from the vicious Sidehill Gouger? Where are the lumberjacks' bodies secretly buried, and who put them there?

The Haliburton and Minden Ghost Walks are back in action this season, with local writer Douglas Pugh narrating tales of local history, local myth, curious fact and maybe a sprinkle of dramatic fiction. The events are taking place weekly in both towns, sponsored by local genealogy company, WeGoBack.

Pugh, an engaging performer at many poetry events in Haliburton County, has trod these paths before and the hugely popular walks have drawn tourists and locals alike in significant numbers over the past few years. Recognizable by his distinctive eye patch, Pugh knows where the hauntings happen and the dead turn uneasily in their sleep.

Tickets for this year's Ghost Walks are on sale in Haliburton at Heritage House Cafe on Pine St. (starting point for the walk) and Master's Book Store, and in Minden at the newly opened Wall Flower Studio (next to Grill on the Gull). These walks are a superb hour and a half's informative entertainment. Tickets are $10 for adults and $5 for children, with the Haliburton walks being held on Wednesday evenings at 6.30pm (with one Friday exception) and on Thursdays in Minden, starting at the River Cone parking lot, throughout July and August.



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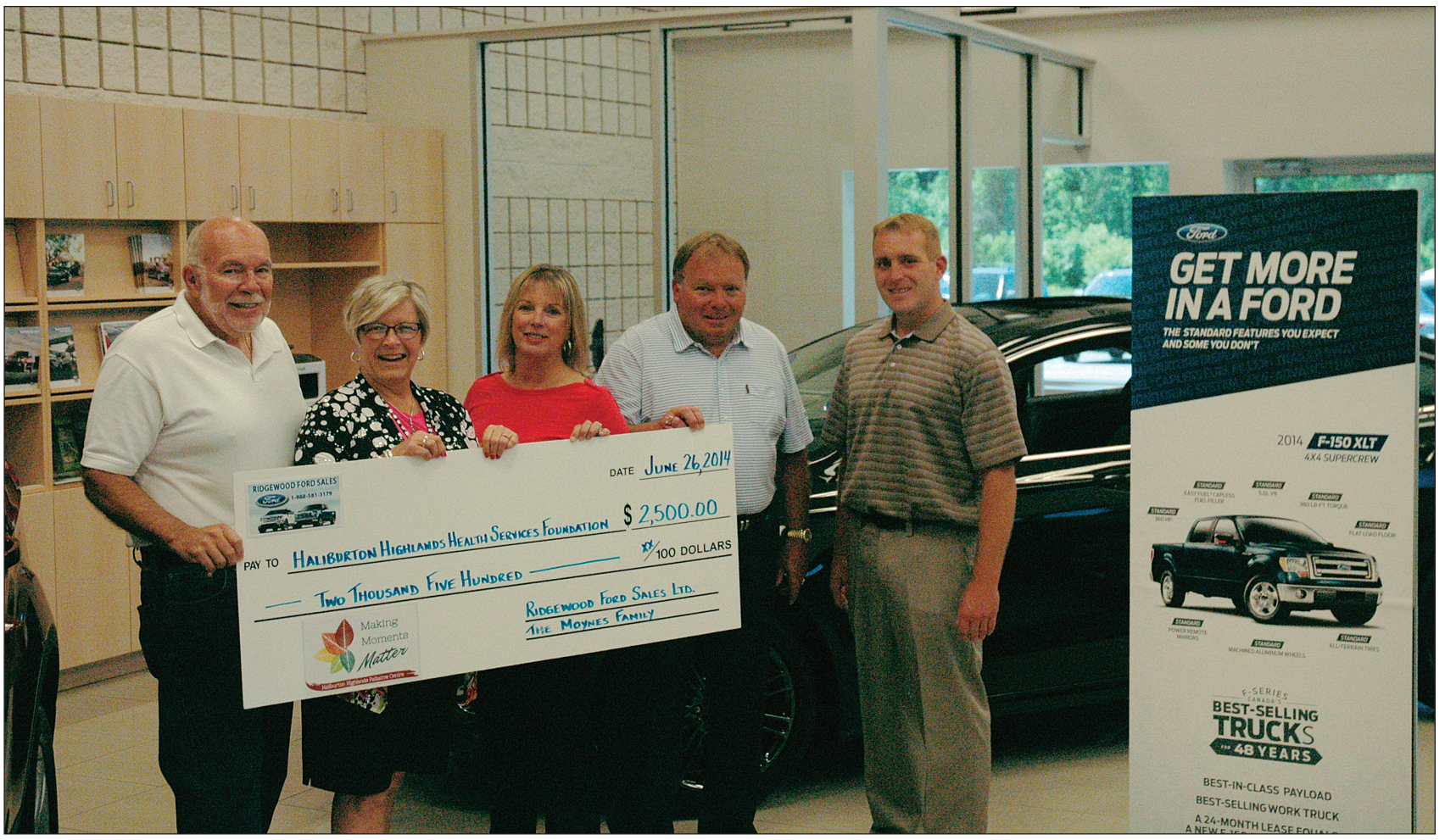
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Haliburton Highlands Heath Services Foundation chairman Peter Oyler and executive director Dale Walker receive a $2,500 donation from Ridgewood Ford, presented by Julie, Larry and Chris Moynes on Thursday, June 26. The donation is towards the HHHSF's Making Moments Matter campaign for the new Pallative Care Centre. The campaign is now at about $510,000 of the $900,000 goal.

Zach Cox
Staff

Scott reminds minister of meeting

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Laurie Scott is reminding Community Safety and Correctional Services Minister Yasir Naqvi of his promise of a face-to-face meeting with Haliburton County politicians on the proposed OPP billing model.

Naqvi was again given the community safety portfolio, also adding government house leader to his job description, with the swearing in of Premier Kathleen Wynne's new cabinet on June 24.

In a letter dated June 24, Scott reminds Naqvi of a commitment he made during the recent provincial election campaign.

"I am writing today to follow up on a promised meeting with officials from Haliburton County and North Kawartha in regards to the proposed OPP billing model," the letter reads. "I understand that you agreed to sit down with both municipalities to hear their concerns before any new billing model is imposed."

On May 20, Naqvi spoke to Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey, Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt and Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid in a teleconference organized by local Liberal candidate and former MPP Rick Johnson.

"During the call, MPP Naqvi made it clear that Haliburton County and North Kawartha will each have their concerns presented to the ministry by way of a formal face to face meeting before any new billing model is imposed," a release from Johnson following the call read. "He also made it clear that no final decision was imminent and that while AMO has submitted a report, it was one of many stakeholders being consulted on this issue and that he was committed to finding a model that is fair, transparent and equitable."

Earlier in the spring, the county had requested a meeting with the Naqvi on the proposed billing model, which would increase OPP costs in the municipality by more than $5 million, but had not heard back before the election was called.

"This is an important issue for many small municipalities like Haliburton County and North Kawartha creating a massive increase in policing costs under the proposed billing model," Scott's letter continued. "I ask that you make the time to meet with both municipalities at your earliest convenience and I look forward to participating in that meeting."

County councillors, who have been lobbying against the proposed formula since its financial implications became clear late last year, will be discussing the issue further July 16.

"We could get a call at any time to meet with the new minister," said Fearrey. "We need to come up with one strategy. We've gone so far with this now, we can't let it go."

Councillors had met with former minister Madeleine Meilleur at a February conference, where they reported she was non-responsive to their concerns.

Naqvi, MPP for Ottawa-Centre, was moved to the portfolio in a cabinet shuffle in late March.

Councillors say the proposed formula, which attempts to redistribute OPP costs on a per-household throughout the province, is flawed since it weights seasonal residences evenly with year-round ones and would leave the county paying for 25 officers more than it uses.

There would be no local service increase under the proposed framework, which would see the county's collective policing costs spike from $3.3 to more than $8.5 million. To absorb it would equate to lower-tier tax increases of between 20 and 36 per cent, depending on township.

A regulatory change, it does not have to pass through MPPs on the floor of Queen's Park, only be adopted by the ministry.

A new formula is to come into effect in 2015.

Wages and benefits make up approximately 85 per cent of policing costs. OPP officers received an 8.55 per cent pay increase in 2014 and the average first-class constable makes more than $90,000 per year. The paper sent Naqvi an email asking him to confirm the meeting and his communications director responded he would keep the paper apprised of meeting details once finalized.

Last week Naqvi tweeted: "We are committed to fair and balanced model. Look forward to meeting with local officials as soon as possible."

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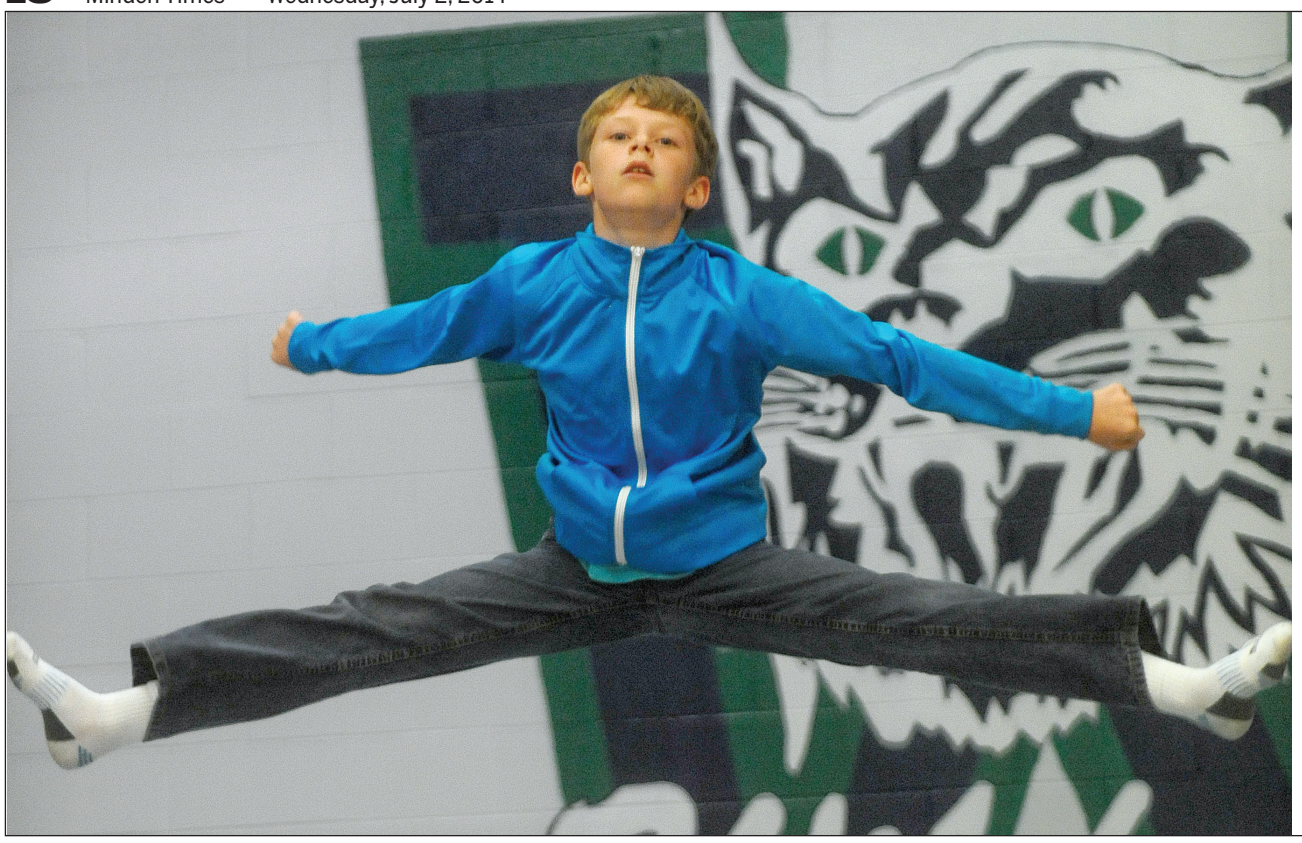
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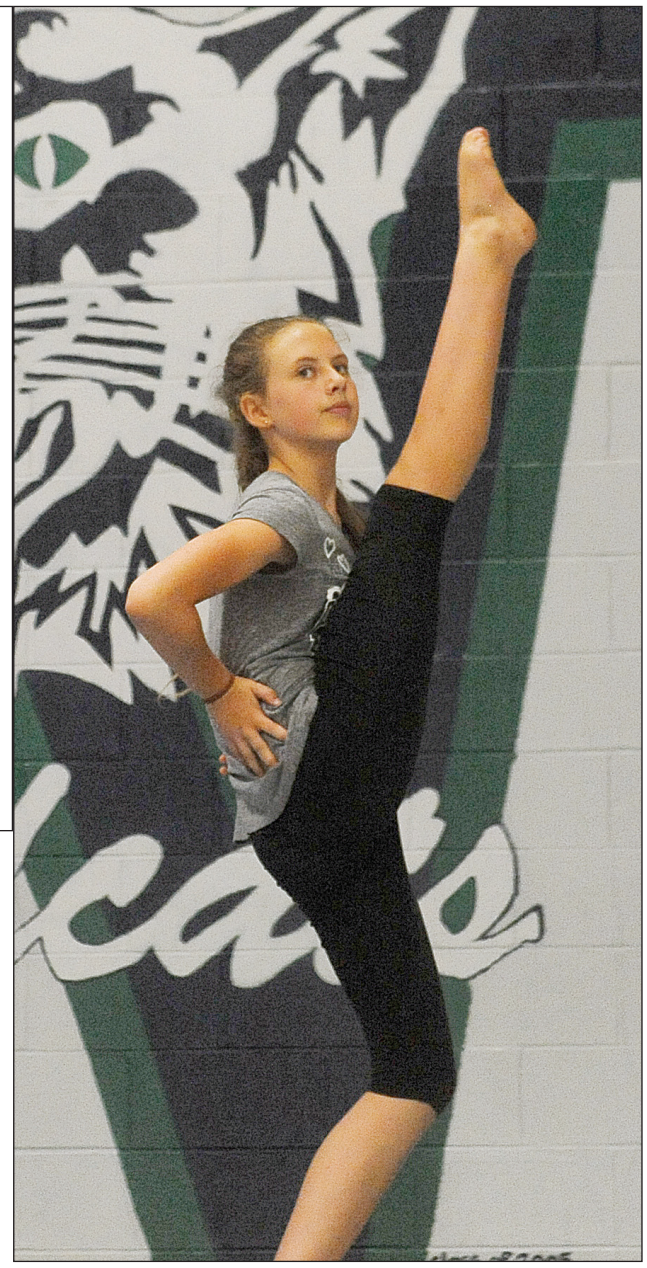
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ASES students have talent

Above, Archie Stouffer Elementary School's Jordy Schell shows his athleticism during his dance number at the school's annual Talent Show on June 25 in the gymasium. With participants from Grade 1 to 7, the show included 20 acts of singing, dancing and piano playing.

Right, Archie Stouffer Elementary School's Ella Moynes, left, Ava Smith and Brooke Stover dance at the school's annual Talent Show on Wednesday afternoon in the gymasium.



Archie Stouffer Elementary School's Matea Cameron shows her flexibility at the school's annual Talent Show this past Wednesday afternoon in the gymasium. Matea perfomed with Trista Geer, who is out of frame.

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Archie Stouffer Elementary School's Sophie Mills, left top, Charlotte Moynes, Bailey Stover, left middle, Melanie Walter, and Sophia McPhee at the school's annual Talent Show on Wednesday afternoon in the gymasium.

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Recognizing achievement at Archie Stouffer Elementary School

Carley Duncan and Owen "Smitty" Smith were athletes of the year at Archie Stouffer Elementary School's year-end awards ceremony on June 19. At right, Owen Patterson Smith and Madison Allaire won awards for sportsmanship.



These students were recognized for displaying a positive attitude during an awards ceremony at ASES on June 19. The school's guidelines, which form the acronym ROAR, stand for respect, obeying the guidelines (citizenship), attitude and responsibility.

Photos by Chad Ingram



These Stouffer students were recognized for demonstrating responsibility.



These students were recognized for demonstrating respect.



These students were recognized for citizenship.





To Everything There Is A Season

Highlands' artist Laurie O'Reilly opened her *Hand of the Maker* **show** *To Everything There is a Season* **this past Saturday at the Art Hive running from now until mid-July. Her exhibition of 16 pieces employs the use of photo montages with encaustic painting and depicts the "climatic seasons" of our lives. Check with the Art Hive (www.arthive.com) for more details. Darren Lum** Staff

County supports project to rejuvenate shorelines

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Haliburton County will be supporting the Coalition of Haliburton County Property Owners' Associations in a new project promoting the re-naturalization of the county's shorelines.

CHA president Paul MacInnes spoke to county councillors during their June 25 meeting, stressing there is a direct correlation between natural shorelines and the health of flora and fauna in lake ecosystems.

"Without them, they wouldn't be alive," MacInnes said, adding that 80 to 90 per cent of species require naturalized shorelines in order to survive.

Seventy-five per cent of any given shoreline needs to be natural, backed up on the land for 30 metres, "in order to just maintain lake health," MacInnes said. "We want to encourage people to re-naturalize their shorelines and keep them natural if they're natural now."

The Love Your Lake program, which focuses on shoreline classification and restoration, uses university students to assess shoreline properties, giving feedback to owners through reports.

Training the students is Trent University professor Dr. Tom Whillans, who "basically invented shoreline classification back in the early '80s," MacInnes said.

A field course was conducted May 21 through 30 at Redstone Lake, with students armed with clipboards, cameras and laptops, observing properties.

"After eight days on the lake, they had not a single, negative response," MacInnes said.

All property owners on the lakes the CHA hopes to study this summer will be informed of the study by letter.

Property owners are free to opt out.

"If they say, 'I don't want a report on my property,' we respect that," MacInnes said.

With eight evaluators assessing 24 properties a day, the goal is to complete 10 lakes by September.

MacInnes stressed privacy is paramount and the only person to get a report on a specific property would be the property owner.

"The lake association does not get it, the CHA does not get it, none of the supporting organizations gets it," MacInnes said.

A lake-wide report that does not identify individual properties will go to the association.

The 10 lakes scheduled to be evaluated this summer are Redstone, Little Redstone, Bitter, Burdock, Pelaw, Boshkung, Drag, Spruce, Koshlong and Kashawigamog, for a total of more than 2,330 properties.

Forty-five lake associations representing more than 12,000 properties have already signed up and the program is scheduled to continue during upcoming summers.

MacInnes was not in council chambers asking for funding – money is coming from grants and money the association has raised – but rather for permission to access the county's parcel mapping data during the next four to five years.

Councillors granted the request.

The association is also hoping to do a demonstration re-naturalization in each of the four lower-tier townships, and will be asking each township to identify a demo site.

Supporting organizations include the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, Haliburton Highlands Stewardship Council, U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research, the Canadian Wildlife Federation, Centre for Sustainable Watersheds and the Ministry of Natural Resources.

For more information about the CHA, visit http://cohpoa.org/



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The Love Your Lake program is encouraging shoreline re-naturalization throughout the county.

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On a roll

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These primary students made the honour roll at Archie Stouffer Elementary School.



These intermediate students were on the honour roll.



Carrying the torch

Darren Lum Staff

Ontario Provincial Police detective constable Krista Potter, left, fist pumps Haliburton County Red Wolves athlete Jason Hollowell before the start of the annual Special Olympics Torch Run. Starting at the A.J. LaRue Arena, the 38 participants walked along Highland Street to York Street and Maple Street to return to the arena. The torch participants, who were Special Olympic athletes, regular force OPP police officers and OPP auxiliary officers, marched in Kinmount and Minden, concluding with a barbecue at the Minden Royal Canadian Legion. This event helps raise money and awareness for the athletes, who participate in bowling, golf, curling and softball.



These senior students made the honour roll this year.

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Sunken villages of the St. Lawrence Seaway

The theme at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery has been water – in particular our relationship with rivers and waterways. The past exhibition, *Waiting for the Thaw*, was of prints by Winnipeg artist, Peter Graham, who expressed a very Canadian view of the ongoing floods experienced there. This reflected the experience of Minden's 2013 flood.

The new exhibition *Sunken Villages* by Ottawa artist, Louis Helbig, examines the result of manmade flooding of the St. Lawrence Seaway in 1958.

July 1, 1958 is remembered as *Inundation Day* in the region near Cornwall, Ontario. At 8 a.m. a controlled explosion tore open a cofferdam and four days later an area that had been home to 7,500 people disappeared under the waves of Lake St. Lawrence, part of the newly created St. Lawrence Seaway.

On the Canadian side, 12 communities, some dating back to the 1700s, were affected. Following the old King's Highway No. 2, upstream: Maple Grove, Mille Roches, Moulinette, Sheeks Island, Wales, Dickinson's Landing, Farran's Point and Aultsville were entirely destroyed; Iroquis was demolished and moved a mile to continue on in name; and, about half of Morrisburg – including its waterfront and most of its business district and main street – were levelled.

On the American side in St Lawrence County, the community of Croil's Island disappeared and, along Highway 37B, Louisville Landing and Richards Landing ceased to exist, and parts of Waddington were dismantled.

On both sides, large rural tracts and property, farms, cottages, and entire islands were flooded. Sacred sites were obliterated and the historic battlefield of Crysler's farm – where in November 1813 Redcoats, local militia and Mohawk warriors staved off a larger American force intent on sacking Montreal – disappeared.

With the communities went their infrastructure. Some buildings were moved and some graves exhumed. Roads, railways, and bridges were left to be buried along with the previous system of locks and canals. All else was levelled, razed to the foundations, cut to the stumps, burned and bulldozed.

Residents were expropriated – some willingly, some not – and moved to the modern, purpose-built, planned Town No. 1 and Town No. 2 (named Ingleside and Long Sault following a community plebiscite), an equally planned and laid out Iroquois, or within a largely rebuilt Morrisburg. Some welcomed the move to brand-new houses with modern amenities or having their old houses moved to lots on higher ground. Others did not. Regardless, all had to move.

The St. Lawrence Seaway was the largest industrial project of its time. A feat of unprecedented industrial accomplishment, it eliminated the powerful Long Sault Rapids and opened the Great Lakes to the ocean-going vessels of its era. In the rapids place, Lake St. Lawrence became the headwater for a massive hydroelectric dam.

The mega-project was a source of great national pride. A reflection of its time, it was celebrated across Canada and the British Commonwealth as the height of modernity and progress. Economic prosperity was virtually guaranteed.

Cornwall and the new and old communities in the freshly renamed Seaway Valley would become the "Manchester of the North" or the "Ruhr" area of North America. The Seaway was officially opened in 1959 by Queen Elizabeth and President Eisenhower.

The lost villages disappeared under the murky water of St. Lawrence Lake and, largely, from our history. Some historic buildings salvaged from the destruction were repurposed to represent the mid-1800s at Upper Canada Village, a popular, government-run historical theme park which owes its existence to the Seaway.

In Ottawa, the Battle of Chrysler's Farm is conspicuously absent amongst the lamp-standard banners celebrating most other events of the war of 1812. In Cornwall, Ontario Power Generation still hands out a digitally re-mastered and metrified DVD of Ontario Hydro's 1960s promo film "From Dream to Reality" which tells us in its very brief reference to the villages that "progress is not without sacrifice or inconvenience."

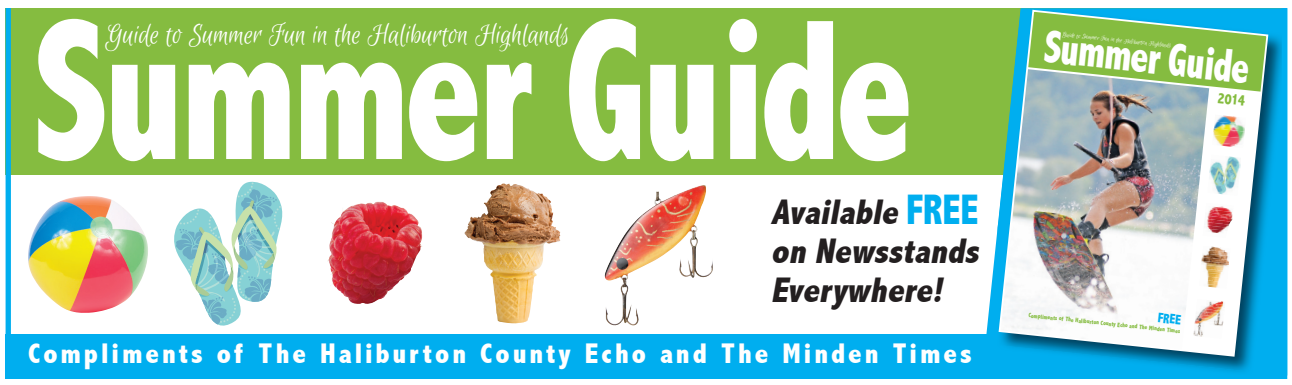
In 1977 in a community-based effort to stem the loss of artifacts salvaged from the flood, the *Lost Villages Historical Society* was formed. With virtually no public funding, the *Society* has become Canada's only community museum without a physical town or village. Established at Ault Park in Long Sault with buildings donated from across the county (but only one from a lost village) the museum is held together on a shoestring budget by the dedicated efforts of a few volunteers.

The zebra mussel infestation, which caused the water to become crystal clear…something else to ponder, and the *Lost Villages Historical Society* have made this exhibition possible.

Helbig has created a very impressive website and blog on his experience with this exhibition. On July 12 at 1pm he will be at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery to speak about his experience and how he managed to capture these photographs plus a glimpse at some of his new work. Please join us for this talk and opening reception.

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Camping the summer days away

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Dorset News

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Family Movie Nights are taking place at the Dorset Recreation Centre every Wednesday in July and August starting at 6:30pm. Admission is by donation and the popcorn is free. Treats will be available to purchase. Thanks to Avery Audio 705-766-2422 for donating DVDs for Movie Nights!

There are lots of yoga classes going on at the rec centre this summer starting with different instructors, Mondays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Wednesdays from 10 to 11 a.m., Fridays from 10 to 11 a.m. and Saturday mornings from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Instructors include Caroline Leeder, Ingrid Bittner and Allie Chisholm Smith. Call the rec centre at 705-766-9968 for more information.

Dorset Ladies Night is scheduled for July 8 from 7 to 9 p.m. Fun! Goodies! Games and a craft! Please call the rec centre to register 705-766-9968 or email recreation@algonquinhighlands.ca The cost is $5 per person and don't forget to tell your friends. All ladies are welcome.

The 18th annual Dorset Kids Fish Derby takes place on Saturday July 12 (rain date July 13) at the Public Dock in Dorset. The registration table in will be in Cedar Narrows Park with registration running from 9 to 9:30 a.m., judging from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and the prize ceremony at 11 a.m.

There will be lots of kooky prize winning categories - hint - craziest fishing hat! Bait is provided but please bring a pole. The derby is for kids 12 and under accompanied by a parent and costs $2 per child. Organizers are still accepting prize donations. Contact the rec centre at 705-766-9968 for more information.

The annual Dorset Lions Club rib dinner takes place on Saturday, July 19 starting at 6 p.m. Adult tickets are $17, kids under 12 are $10. Contact Esther at 705-766-2830 for more information or to make a reservation.

Birthday wishes for June 29 to July 5 go out to Pat Sinclair, Willy Bradbury, Sandra Northover, Carolyn Warkentin, Alice MacKay, Paul Wilson, Norman MacKay, Dawn Abel and Don Abel. Happy Birthday!

If you have items for the Dorset News, please send them to malfano@hotmail.ca or give me a call at my home number, 705-766-0076.

Junk in the trunk sale an all-round success

Legion br. 636

By all accounts, our Junk in the Trunk sale was very successful. There were 14 vendors, selling everything from garlic to household items, bat houses and scarves. A big thank you to all the members who donated yummy goodies for a bake sale, and congratulations to Rick Wilson for his first official event as the new Ways and Means chairman. Watch for details of a giant yard sale coming in August.

This article was prepared before Canada Day, but we hope everyone celebrated in grand style and saw our colour party in the parade. Thank you to Minden Live Bait and Tackle for donating the minnows for the popular minnow races for the kids. Thank you also to Gina of Gina's Shear Talent for making a special trip to shave Wendy Bolt's hair for wigs for cancer patients. If you see bald Wendy, we are still accepting donations to the "Bald for the Building" campaign until the end of July.

Members of Minden Legion will want to get their quarter into the members-only Pot of Gold draw. As of Monday morning, the balance was over $100. At the General Membership Meeting on July 2 at 7:30 p.m., the executive has recommended reducing dues for new members and we will hear the latest update on the building campaign. President Judy Flieger has relaxed the requirement for the executive to wear uniforms and instead has encouraged "summer dress", meaning no blazer or medals.

To support its regular programs and community donations, Minden Legion offers a full lunch menu, plus feature meals every weekday from noon to 2 p.m. For members who are at the cottage for the summer, we encourage you to volunteer four hours a month for the branch. The cooks would appreciate another set of hands for prep work like cutting veggies and preparing salads for weekday lunches or special events.

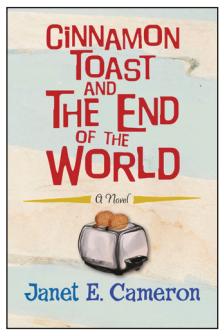
"Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day". Long-time member Larry McKenzie, who passed away last August, was quite the fixture at the branch and always sat in the same chair at the round table. Following a suggestion of the previous executive, there is now a plaque on Larry's chair.

Fans of classic country music will want to reserve Saturday July 12 when Hal Turner Trio will be entertaining at the Legion from 5 to 9 p.m. Come enjoy the music featuring Hal Turner on vocals and guitar, Hugh Banks on bass and Sheri Hawkins on drums. There's no cover charge, just a donation at the door for the band.

Minden Legion received a nice thank you card from the Red Wolves for the pop donated for their barbecue held at the branch and for the desserts baked by our members. Our supplier, Summit Foods generously donated the hot dogs and hamburgers. The Red Wolves had just completed a successful Torch Run for Special Olympics collecting donations in Haliburton, Kinmount and Minden. Congratulations everyone.

HCPL's Book of the Month

Cinnamon Toast & The End of the World by Janet E. Cameron



House parties. Pick-up trucks. Cherry vanilla ice cream. Prom night. Unrequited love.

Welcome to the spring of 1987 and the world of Stephen Shulevitz who, with three months of high school to go in the small town of Riverside, Nova Scotia, has just realized he's fallen in love - with exactly the wrong person.

Welcome to the end of the world.

As Stephen navigates his last few months before college dealing with his overly dependent mother, his distant, pot-smoking father and his dysfunctional best friends Lana and Mark, he must decide between love and childhood friendship; between the person he is and the person he can be. But sometimes leaving the past behind is harder than it seems. *Cinnamon Toast and the End of the World* is a bittersweet story of growing up and of one young man finding happiness on his own terms. *Cinnamon Toast and the End of the World* by Janet E. Cameron is available to reserve at the Haliburton County Public Library, and is one of the 2014 Evergreen Award Nominees. Read as many on the Evergreen list as you like and vote for your favourite in October.

Join us for summer fun at HCPL! Our Dysart and Minden branches will be open Mondays 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. from July 7th – August 25th. Watch for weekly Kids' Craft & Story Time at our Dysart, Minden, Stanhope and Wilberforce branches. Keep an eye out for our Portable Library at many community events. Visit www.haliburtonlibrary.ca for more information.



County card scores

by Patti Fleury ~ 488-2938 ~ brucefleury1@hotmail.com

June 23 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Betty Sharpe reports that Annah Buxcey and Tim Sharpe held the most lone hands with Kay Naylor and Mabel Deacon posting the high scores. The afternoon's low went to Lillian Mann while Tim Sharpe also won the special prize.

June 24 contract bridge at Minden United Church: The top trio members were Jim Taylor 4,710, Carol Thompson 3,940 and Donna McArthur 3,690. Convenor Nancy Ballantyne advises that Jan Heaven will be off for the summer but return in the fall to assist new players and those wishing to improve their bridge skills.

June 24 Minden Seniors bid euchre at Minden Legion: Leading ladies were Theresa Deak 377, Vi Howell 313, Dorothy McElwain 298 and Pat Roussel 292First for the gents at 365 was Marcel Roussel followed by Ron Morrison 342, Pat Scadden 287 and Tom Grix 268. Sharron Atkinson won the major draw prize plus a smaller one along with Tom Grix and Marcel Roussel. Marcel also took a single moonshot along with Ida Young, Theresa Deak, Albert Foster, Pearl Cowen, Pat Roussel and Ron Morrison [2]. Thanks Betty Wagar for this update.

June 24 contract bridge at Stanhope: The high scoring quartet members were Vange Croucher 6,910, Rob Eaton 6,400, Art Steed 5,850 and Sharon Gardiner 5,650. Gayle McAskill was awarded the Lucky Loonie while there were two Small Slams over the afternoon by Helen Cassidy and Pat Hannah and Art Steed partnered with Vange Croucher.

June 25 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: Leading in North/South were Ross Fletcher and Nettie Butterworth 63 percent and Muriel McIntosh and Diana Spicer 54 percent. Over in East/West top marks went to Vange Croucher and our bridge reporter Margo Davidson at 62 percent then tied for second spot at 53 percent were Helen Cassidy and Pat Hannah and Rob Eaton partnered with Kathie Porter.

June 25 bid euchre at Stanhope: Linda Lambert reports that topping the charts for the ladies at 346 was Sharron Atkinson then Marg Oetelaar 279 and Willie Cox 260. First for the gents at 318 was Colin Miller with Jack Cox 295 next and Al McMullen 293 third while Marg Oetelaar, Jason Peacock, Pat Marshall and Sharron Atkinson had moonshots.

June 26 bid euchre at Minden Community Centre: For the ladies Fran Smith led at 287 then Vi Howell 267, Margaret Oetelaar 259 and Muriel McIntosh 248. First for the gents at 302 was Marcel Roussel followed by Doug McIntosh 275, Theresa Deak 253 and Pat Scadden 246. Eileen Shepstone held the hidden score while our reporter Bev Johnson won for call 1. Single moonshots landed on Karen Chapman, Doug McIntosh, Pat Scadden and Sharron Atkinson with Ida Young and Tom Grix each taking two.

June 26 euchre at Minden Legion: Lone hand honours went to our reporter May Bradbury and Wayne Randall with Bev Johnson and Jim Bradbury claiming the high scores. The evening's lows went to Linda Hopkins and Tom Grix while Betty Wagar [2], Ron Morrison, Theresa Deak and Pearl Cowen took home the other prizes.

June 27 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Tom and Margo Davidson led in North/South at 55 percent with Frank Schlotter and Ross Pawson tied with Elaine Burbidge and Nettie Butterworth next at 54 percent. East/West honours went to Norm and Fran Smith 55 percent, Gord Cochrane and Vange Croucher 54 percent and Rob Eaton partnered with Peter O'Connor 51 percent.

June 27 bid euchre at Club 35: Top marks for the ladies

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Saying a quiet thank you to ancestors

Patti Fleury
Around the Town

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Here at the old farmhouse as Canada Day approaches we look back on our ancestral roots with Bruce, a Forbes, listing a mix of French and Scottish and mine mainly Scottish with an Irish flavour linked to the Fraser Clan. One of my personal favourites is my paternal great-grandfather William Philip. William was born in Aberdeen, Scotland on October 29, 1824 and emigrated to Canada in 1844 at the young age of 20 years settling in what is now the Kitchener area. He married Mary Jane Odlum on March 17, 1852 and together they had eight children of which my grandfather Frederick Fraser was the youngest born when his mother was 51 years old. William had gone to university to study languages but instead became an accountant. After one evening of heavy drinking in the local pub he woke up to find himself in the uniform of the Union Army's 2nd Regiment, Michigan Cavalry serving as its paymaster. Either this was due to a burst of military fervour on his part or it was not unusual for wealthy American families to kidnap and substitute someone else for their own son during the American Civil War. Misfortune was compounded by the fact that William had never been on a horse and the Union Army was sadly lacking in funds to pay the troops anyway. The last of his letters home now encased in glass here at Connemara tells of his struggle still recuperating from hospital determined to return to Ontario to enlist in fighting the Fenian Raids. Watching the evening international news I say a quiet thank you William for coming to this beautiful country of Canada where we are so fortunate to raise our families in freedom and tolerance.

Some readers may notice a second column submitted each week listing the card scores from Minden, Haliburton and Kinmount. For anyone interested in learning how to play bid euchre Bev Johnson invites them to come out on Friday, July 11 at 1 p.m. to Staanworth Court, Minden for an introductory meeting. For more details give her a call at 705-286-3085.

The Kinmount Artisans Marketplace located on the lower level of the Kinmount Community Centre is now on its summer schedule open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There visitors will find local visual arts and handcrafts, local history and instructional books, antiques/collectibles, souvenirs and much more. There is also a good selection of tourist brochures and maps. On Wednesday mornings during July and August beginning July 9 there will be children's craft classes from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Each week there is a different art or craft project with a different teacher. The cost is $3/child/class and pre-registration is required by calling 705-488-2938.

There will be pre-registration this Saturday, July 5 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Gazebo beside the Kinmount Railway Station for the Kinmount United Church's Cosmic Adventure Camp from 10 a.m. to noon. The Camp will be held through the week of July 14 to 18 in the mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. outdoors in Austin Sawmill Heritage Park in the Picnic Pavilion area. When planning a program it is really important to know the names and ages of those children attending and any special needs/requests so the pre-registration is much appreciated. For more information about the program please call Rosemary at 705-488-2129.

Kinmount's Summer 2014 Music in the Park Series begins this Thursday, July 3 with Ken Ramsden and Pam Oglesby on centre stage. Bring along your neighbours and lawn chairs to the Picnic Pavilion in Austin Sawmill Heritage Park for a 6:30 p.m. start and enjoy a relaxing evening by the Burnt River. On July 10 the Heritage edition will host Bobby Watson and Friends plus a barbecue then on July 17 Rick Fines will be featured. Gord Miller and Passport will be on deck on July 24 and on July 31 Chuck Sims will entertain.

Kinmount's Heritage in the Village celebrations will begin on Thursday, July 10 at 6:30 p.m. with Music in the Park featuring Bobby Watson and Friends plus a barbecue. The next evening Friday, July 11 for those who dare, local historian/authour Guy Scott will lead out the free Ghost Tour from the historic Railway Station at 8:30 p.m. On Saturday, July 12 Family Fun Day (formerly Moonlight Mania) runs from 4 to 9 p.m. with many guests and activities including Washboard Hank, the popular Zoo-to-You , vendors, contests, kids crafts and great food. Vendors interested in taking a free table should contact Lynne at 705-488-2919. Remember the turtle watch is still in effect. Until next week...



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County card scores

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went to Loretta Lamb 245, Marg Oetelaar 237 and Clara Miscio 165. At 245 Garth Windsor led the gents then our reporter Jean Dutka 152 and Jason Peacock 144 with Joy Wilson holding the hidden score. Single moonshots landed on Al McMullen, Jason Peacock and Jean Dutka with Garth Windsor capturing an impressive four. June 28 bid euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: Leading ladies were Barbara Robitaille 283, Pat Roussel 249, Maria Tschida 225 and Vi Howell 221. First representing the gents was Karen Chapman 266 then Ron Morrison 251, Marcel Roussel 244 and Howard Smith 234. Ron won the major draw with Karen Chapman, June Branning and our interim reporter Bev Johnson claiming the smaller prizes. There were three moonshots going to Ron Morrison, Theresa Deak and Barbara Robitaille. A special note from Bev Johnson. She invites those interested in learning how to play bid euchre to come along on Friday, July 11th at 1 p.m. to Staanworth Court, Minden. For more information give her a call at 705-286-3085. June 30 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden:

June 30 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: Rose Isaacson reports a new system of recording the prize winning scores. Tom Grix was high man at 270 and Pauline Franzen high lady at 281 with Rae Dawn Shepheard 262 and Rose 190 in second high spot. Third place went to Vic Ballik for the gents at 233 and Gala Newell 184 while Tom Grix won the draw and also claimed the single moonshot.

June 30 euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: From Sherin Brown the news that cards were cancelled due to the storm and power outages> June 30 euchre at Club 35: At Carnarvon both the weather and hydro were okay with Al McMullen holding the most lone hands . High scores were posted by Kathy Kernohan and Linda Voycey with the evening's lows going to Karen Lamb and Ivan Kernohan and Linda Voycey taking home the baloney. Thanks to Garth Windsor for his update.

Notices

Township of Algonquin Highlands

TENDER FOR SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF A CULVERT NORTH SHORE ROAD CONTRACT NO. PW01-14

Sealed tenders, clearly marked "Contract No. PW01-14 Replacement of Culvert on North Shore Road", will be received at the Township Office until:

2:00 P.M., Local Time, Friday, July 11, 2014

for the supply and installation of a 3730 x 2290 x 19000 corrugated steel pipe arch culvert on North Shore Road.

Plans, specifications and tender forms are available at the consultant's office in Bracebridge, free of charge.

Each Tender must be accompanied by a certified cheque in the amount specified in the Tender documents.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Award is subject to Township approval.

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The Township of Algonquin Highlands
1123 North Shore Road
ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS, ON
K0M 1J1
Telephone: 705-489-2379
Facsimile: 705-489-3491

CONSULTANT:
AECOM Canada Limited
345 Ecclestone Drive
BRACEBRIDGE, ON
P1L 1R1
Telephone: 705-645-5992
Facsimile: 705-645-1841

HCDC
HALIBURTON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
A Community Futures Development Corporation

Board of Directors Opportunity

The Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC) is a Federally funded non-profit community organization dedicated to creating employment and community opportunities.

Funding is provided by the Government of Canada through FedDev Ontario.

We are looking for local residents with knowledge of the business community and not for profit organizations in the Haliburton Highlands, to add to our professional team of volunteers and staff. Specifically we are seeking individuals who:

- Are interested in local, regional, and provincial community development
- Can commit to a minimum 3 year term.
- Have the desire and ability to attend required monthly Board or Committee meetings
- Have an understanding of financial statements
- Have an understanding of information technology and communications.

If you feel you have the time, energy and commitment to be a Director please send your cover letter and resume by July 11, 2014 to:

Haliburton County Development Corporation
P.O. Box 210, 235 Highland Street, 2nd Floor
Haliburton, Ontario K0M1S0
Attention: Patti Tallman, Assistant Director
Tel: 705.457.3555 Fax: 705.457.3398
E-mail to: ptallman@haliburtoncdc.ca

For further information please access our website at: http://www.haliburtoncdc.ca or contact the HCDC at 705-457-3555.

Township of Algonquin Highlands

NOTICE

Road Naming By-law

TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Section 48 of the Municipal Act 2001, S.O., 2001, c.25, as amended, the Council of the Township of Algonquin Highlands at its Regular Meeting on **Thursday, July 17**, **2014** will consider a by-law to provide for the naming and renaming of all public and private roads for the purpose of accommodating the addition of private road names within the Township of Algonquin Highlands.

Additional information, and a copy of the proposed by-law, is available from the Township Office during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

Dawn Newhook,
Municipal Clerk
1123 North Shore Road
Algonquin Highlands, ON K0M 1J1
Tel: 705-489-2379
Email: dnewhook@algonquinhighlands.ca

Minden Times Classifieds

Lochlin Community Centre, Large Outdoor Sale,
July 12 from 9am-2pm

MOORE LAKE Property Owners Association - Annual General Meeting, Saturday July 5th SUMMERKISS Restaurant, Hwy 35 just north of Deep Bay Road 9:30-10:00 am Coffee & Registration - Meeting Start at 10 am

HUGE ROAD SALE Sat. July 5th, 9 am, 9671 Hwy 35 South of Miner's Bay Quality Antiques, home decor and much more! (Sale CANCELLED if it rains!)

200 HELP WANTED

PRIVATE IN-HOME CAREGIVERS - Looking for kind, caring caregivers for a disabled young man in the Carnarvon area. Day and Night shifts needed. Will consider RN, RPN, or any other designation with appropriate experience, including student health professionals. Call 416-997-2656

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CALL Safonda at 705-935-1213

Camp Kandalore is looking for Cleaners from June 23 to August 29th. 40 hrs per week, minimum wage, duties include cleaning of washrooms, garbage clean up and removal , and any other jobs required by the site manager. Please email resume to colin@kandalore.com call 416-322-9735

Red Umbrella Inn Now Hiring f/t kitchen staff, experienced cook, prep/dishwasher. Email/mail or drop off resumes to info@redumbrellainn.com or 1075 Red Umbrella Rd. Minden ON K0M2K0

Applications are now being accepted for the position of Sales Associate. This position is full time and year round. Responsibilities include customer service, inventory control and product merchandising.
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Maintenance Positions
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Maintenance Foreman
General Maintenance:
- Oversee maintenance of all grounds, buildings, cabins, and equipment in a timely and cost-effective manner
- Schedule regular building and property maintenance to ensure that facilities remain in operational condition
- Ensure buildings codes are maintained and that cabins are in move-in condition for guests
- Respond promptly and courteously to requests for service from staff and guests

Staffing:
- Supervise and schedule maintenance personnel
- Ensure that staff are following proper safety protocols
- Assign staff to be on-call after hour

Administration:
- Operate within the controls of the budget
- Coordinate service contracts and repair contracts that may be necessary in the course of a year

The successful candidate will have the following qualifications:
- Experience with electrical systems, plumbing and carpentry trades
- Must have reliable transportation and satisfactory class G driving record
- Must be able to read, write and understand the English language
- People management skills; communications and decision making skills

Maintenance Worker
Building Maintenance:
- Maintain building standards
- Repair basic plumbing, electrical, carpentry problems
- Move furniture and other heavy items as requested

Property Maintenance:
- Shovel snow and clear walkways/roadways during winter
- Complete road repairs with cold patch
- Clear storm and wind damage to the property
- Remove garbage and recycling from camp areas
- Repair waterfront equipment
- Prepare water and sewage plant reading as requested

The successful candidate will have the following qualifications:
- Experience with electrical systems, plumbing and carpentry trades
- Must have reliable transportation and satisfactory class G driving record
- Must be able to do repetitive lifting (loads up to 30kg)
- Must be a team player

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately
SALARY RANGE: competitive based on experience level.

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Minden Times Classifieds

ANDREW DONALD (ANDY) HUGHES

(1961 – 2013)

On the 6th of July, 2013 Andy left this life with many unspoken farewells.

Beloved Son, Father, Brother and Husband

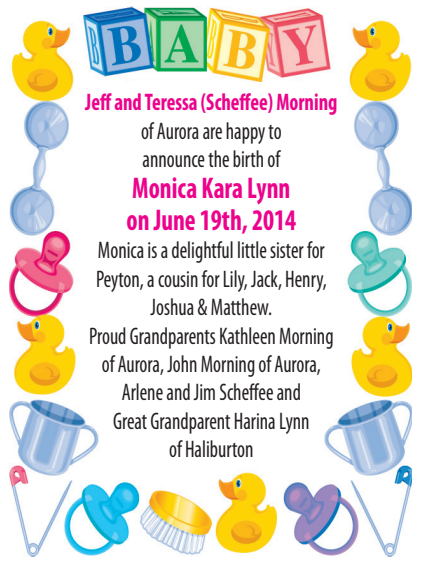


Deep in our hearts you are fondly remembered.

Sweet memories cling 'round your name.

True hearts that loved you with deepest affection always will love you in death just the same.

James 5 #14 Is any sick among you? Let them call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing with oil in the name of the Lord. 5 #15 And the prayer of faith should save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up, and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. 5 #16 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man avaleth much.



Jeff and Teressa (Scheffee) Morning
of Aurora are happy to
announce the birth of
Monica Kara Lynn
on June 19th, 2014
Monica is a delightful little sister for Peyton, a cousin for Lily, Jack, Henry, Joshua & Matthew.
Proud Grandparents Kathleen Morning of Aurora, John Morning of Aurora, Arlene and Jim Scheffee and Great Grandparent Harina Lynn of Haliburton

In Loving Memory of

Baby John William Gerald Stevens

Passed away unexpectedly at the Orillia Soldier's Memorial Hospital on Thursday, June 26, 2014.

Beloved son of Ronald Stevens and Liana Moraal. Loving brother of Caelin and Cora. Cherished grandson of Gerry and Hilde Moraal, Pauline and the late John Stevens and great grandson of Eileen Stevens. Fondly remembered by his many aunts, uncles and family.

A Private Service for family and friends will be held at St. Stephen's Church Cemetery, Boshkung.

Memorial Donations can be made in memory of John to the Heart and Stroke Foundation and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.

www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com



In Loving Memory of

Jim Burrows

Passed away at the Toronto General Hospital on Friday, June 27, 2014 with his family by his side, at the age of 79.

Loving husband to Marilyn (nee Beaton) for 57 years. Dear father of Lorna (Derek) Taylor, Howard (Beth) Burrows, Carol (Brian) Patrick. Loving grandpa of Christopher (Kirsty), Ryan, Andrew (Laura), Amanda, Katelyn (Abdel), Bradley, Jessica, Kristen, Alexandra, Timothy and great grandpa of Zackery, Emily, Alana, Nina, Thomas, Chase, Logan and Annalise. Jim is survived by his sister Kathlene (Jim) Shantora, predeceased by his sister Betty Debitt and by his brother Jack Burrows. Fondly remembered by his nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Minden United Church, 21 Newcastle St., Minden on Saturday, July 5, 2014 from 11:00 am until the time of the Service to Celebrate Jim's Life at 12:00 o'clock noon. Interment will follow at the Minden Cemetery. Cremation has taken place. Reception will be held at the Minden Curling Club, 50 Prentice St., Minden.

Memorial Donations to the Kidney Foundation, Minden Health Care Auxiliary or to the Charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, K0M 2K0.

www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

HALIBURTON Community FUNERAL HOME

William 'Bill' Marshall

(Resident of West Guilford, Ontario)



At Haliburton Hospital on Friday evening, June 28, 2014 in his 78th year. Beloved husband of Myra Marshall (nee Taylor). Loving father of Tracy (Joel) of Sioux Lookout and Stephen (Laura) of Bowmanville. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Samantha & Adam. Also lovingly remembered by his many close friends. Bill was the retired Director of Apparatus & Maintenance for the Toronto Fire Department and was actively involved in the Community in many ways. His sense of humor was loved by many.

Visitation, Memorial Service & Reception

Friends may call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209 on Thursday afternoon, July 3, 2014 from 2-5 p.m. Funeral Service in the Chapel on Friday morning, July 4, 2014 at 11 o'clock. (Visitation one hour prior.) Reception to follow in The Community Room. Interment later Maple Lake United Church Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary would be appreciated by the family.

www.communityfuneralhomes.com

Thank- you

Peter Burk's family would like to thank everyone for the love and support shown to us during this difficult time.

The outpouring of food, monetary contributions, the array of flowers, many cards, phone calls, and visits from our friends and neighbours, were so appreciated.

Some special Thank You's go out to; Monk Funeral Home and their team for keeping all 40 of us organized and on track, especially Barry for his continued support for Kim and Lisa : to Lakeside Baptist Church, to Rev. Brian Plouff, and Rev. Harry Morgan, for providing a great service; and last but not least, to Pinestone Resort for catering a wonderful meal for the whole family. Pete will be sadly missed, but he will live on in our hearts, and in the hearts of all those who shared their grief with us.

With sincere gratitude
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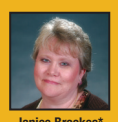
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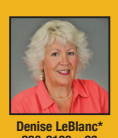

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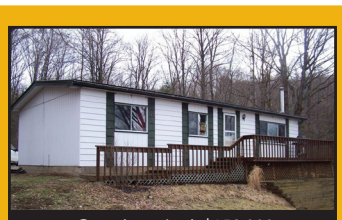

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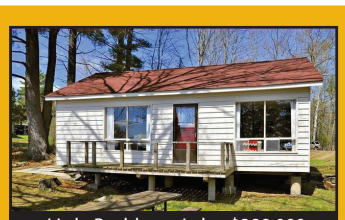

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- Walk to College or Downtown
- Starter; Retirement; Investment
- 3 bedroom bungalow; Dbl garage
- Low maintenance; Easy living!

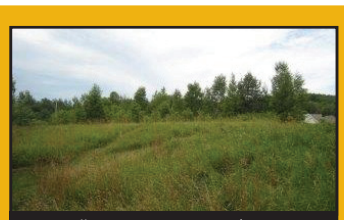
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Little Boshkung Lake $289,000

- Great entry cottage on 3 lake chain
- Total 1000 square ft in 2 bdrm + bunkie
- Rock face frontage/deep water
- West facing sunsets, flat lot

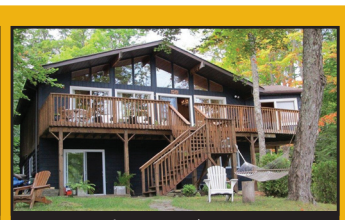
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Halbiem – BY THE LAKE! $69,900

- Prestigious neighborhood
- Boat launch 5 lake chain
- Close to all amenities
- Walk to town!!!

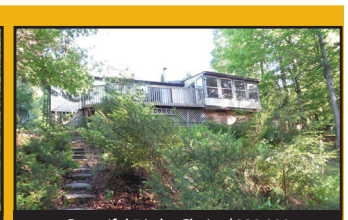
Janice Brookes 457-2128 x 22



Little Kennisis $497,000

- 3 bdrm, den, office, 2 baths, W/O part finished
- Propane furnace 2013, heated water line 2013
- Dock & deck 2007, swimming area & deep water
- Fairly priv, level lot, well treed, firepit

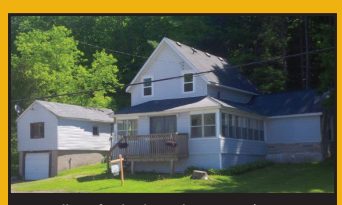
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Beautiful 5 Lake Chain $339,000

- 100 Ft Waterfront. .52 acre
- 1248 Sq Ft, 3 bdrm, 4 pc bath
- Winterized home/cottage, NW exp
- Sandy entry, close to Haliburton Village

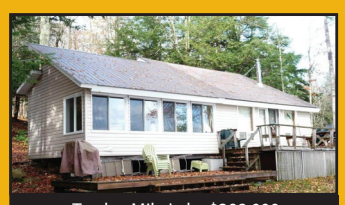
Mark Dennys 457-2128 x 30



Totally Refreshed Minden Home $169,000

- 3 Bedrooms with two 4 piece baths
- Open concept, new windows, furnace, etc
- 175 sq ft enclosed wrap around porch
- Short walk to town, a pleasure to show

Tom Ecclestone 286-2138 x 26

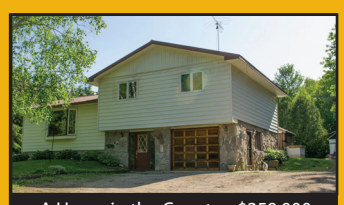


Twelve Mile Lake $398,000

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- Yr round 1300 s.f. 3 bdrm cottage
- Sand/rock shoreline facing east
- Newer [illegible] cathedral ceiling in L/R
- 3 lake chain with marina and gas

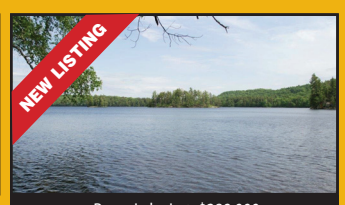
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A Home in the Country $259,000

- Lovely property & beautiful 63 Acres
- Updated & renovated 3 bedroom home
- New flooring, paint and glass in windows
- Attached garage, high speed internet avail.

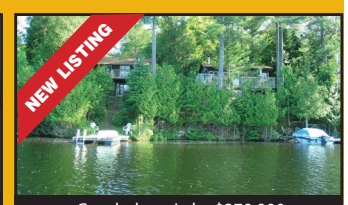
Ed Gibbons 286-2138 x 28



Percy Lake Lot $289,000

- 180' of clean shoreline & South exp.
- 2 Acres of good privacy; driveway in
- Bonus! Includes a back lot
- Easy access; No HST; No condo fees

Andrew Hodgson 286-2138 x 29



Gooderham Lake $379,900

- Historic, well-kept family cottage
- 4-season log home plus large bunkie
- Deep clean shoreline
- Easy year round access

Susanne James & Andy Mosher 457-2128 x 33



Stunning Point - Ltl. Hawk Lk $639,900

- 505' multi-exp. waterfront; breathtaking views
- Over an acre of terraced, gently sloping property
- Back-split winterized cottage; multiple decks & W/Os
- Master with ensuite; steam rm; FP &, W/O to deck

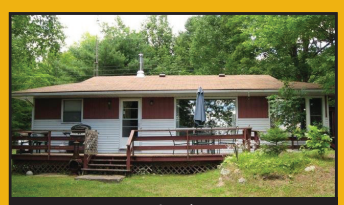
Valerie Kulla 286-2138



Minden Home $159,900

- Total privacy 8 acres- 3 bdrm bungalow
- Custom oak cupboards, trim and doors
- Double attached & single detached garage
- Located just 15 minutes from Haliburton

Denise LeBlanc 286-2138 x 23



Davis Lake $289,900

- 3 bedroom, 4 season cottage.
- Bunkie + garage
- Level lot , sand beach, dock.
- Big lake view

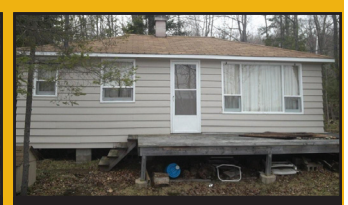
David Lee 286-2138 x 27



Year Round on Maple Lake $449,000

- Great Privacy; lovely landscaped yard
- Breathtaking views & afternoon sun
- Close to both Minden & Haliburton
- 2+1 bedrooms, great for retirement

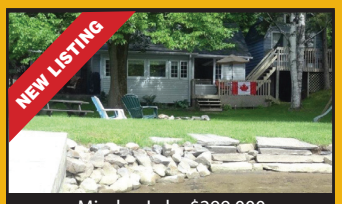
Gary Moffatt 457-2128 x 36



Drag Lake $339,000

- Beautiful, level lot on Drag Lake
- Hard packed sand and rock shoreline
- Private lot with big lake view
- Use original cottage or build dream home/cottage

Erin Nicholls 457-2128 x 34



Minden Lake $299,000

- 3 bedroom & Bunkie, 4 season cottage
- South exp.; sand shoreline; big lake view
- Year round access; large chattel list
- Boathouse and storage building

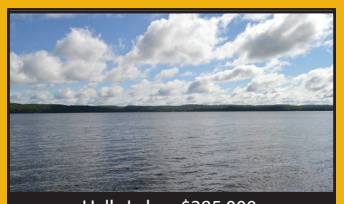
Karen Nimigon 457-2128 x 29



Minden Cty Rd 21, $165,000

- 2 bdrm. raised brick bung., hardwood flrs,
- Sep. dining & fam. rms, screened porch
- New uninstalled windows will stay for buyer
- Shed, lots of parking, yr. rnd. rd., convenient

Dawn Poissant 457-2128 x 31



Halls Lake - $285,000

- Imagine waking up to this view every morning!!
- Great property with original 1940's cabin
- + 440 sq ft Bunkie with 1 BR, bath & kitchen
- Beautiful, hard packed, sand bottom beach

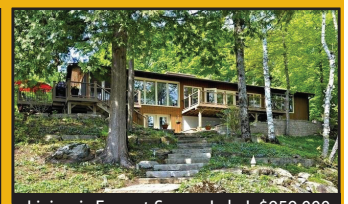
Margie Prestwich 457-2128 x 37



Drag Lake $1,109,000

- Just over 2 acres on prestigious Drag Lake
- 468' frontage with coveted western exp.
- Big lake view; tremendous privacy; sand beach
- 3 bed, 2 bath log home with detached garage

Greg Stamp 457-2128 x 28



Living is Easy at Soyers Lake! $959,000

- Magnificent custom built home or cottage
- 3 BRs, 2 ½ baths, stunning granite fireplace
- Full walkout lower level, great lot, super view
- Double and single car garages

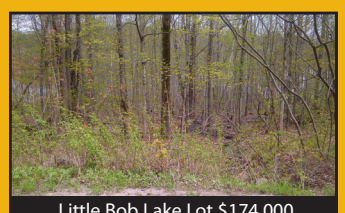
Kim Stamp 457-2128 x 24



Drag Lake $289,000

- Spectacular waterfront property on prime lake
- True Algonquin setting – magnificent views
- Rustic cottage at water's edge – Sunshine galore!
- New driveway installed – great boating & swimming

Elizabeth Thompson 457-2128 x 52



Little Bob Lake Lot $174,000

- Prime waterfront lot, Gentle slope
- Year round municipal road access
- Hydro and telephone @ lot line
- 97' Frontage and sunrise exposure

Melanie Vigrass 286-2138 x 32



Gorgeous Chalet Home $329,900

- 3+1BRs, full walkout bsmt; indoor hot tub
- Close to ski hill and snowmobiling for winter
- Mountain biking, public beach & boat ramp too
- Private setting amongst woods

Tom Wilkinson 286-2138 x 25



Stormy Lake $370,000

- Lrg 4-season, 4 BR cottage; 2 garages & bunkie
- Private lot; SW facing, child-friendly shoreline
- Quiet part of the lake across from Crown Land
- Stone Fireplace, laundry, drilled well, metal roof

Andrea Wilson 457-2128 x 25



Kennisis -161 ft –Point Lot $599,000

- Almost everything new in & out, flat lot
- 3 Bed, den, 2 new baths, laundry, stone FP
- New roof, windows, insulation, HDW floors,
- New walls, siding, kit., garage, Bunkie, dock

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